

# DAWN SHORE EXCURSIONS

## 2006 BAHAMAS & BERMUDA SHORE EXCURSIONS Aboard *Norwegian Dawn*

We are pleased that you are sailing with Norwegian Cruise Line. Join us as we sail to explore ports rich in history and culture, and venture beyond to some exotic, less traveled destinations. This document describes some of the optional excursions available in each port of call. To help you plan ahead, we've included detailed information about tours organized on your behalf. NCL's organized Shore Excursion program offers you the opportunity to sample the colorful culture and see the most dramatic scenery in each port of call. Pre-arranged sightseeing saves valuable time in port and helps ensure you receive the best services available.

### WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

#### **Why should I book an organized Shore Excursion?**

There are a number of advantages to booking a Shore Excursion organized by Norwegian Cruise Line, including:

#### **Satisfaction**

We carefully monitor Shore Excursion programs to ensure we are offering the best tours available and meeting the diverse needs and interests of our guests. We use only reputable and licensed independent tour operators.

#### **Convenience**

Our organized tours maximize your time ashore and eliminate the need for time-consuming, last-minute arrangements in port.

#### **Service**

We have a professional and knowledgeable Shore Excursion staff onboard, available to help you expertly plan your time ashore.

#### **Safety**

We have developed Shore Excursion programs with primary consideration for your safety and security.

#### **Value**

We review our tours continuously to ensure they are of the highest quality and that prices remain competitive.

#### **How does the Shore Excursion program work?**

Shore Excursions may be reserved in advance. A request form is provided to go along with this document so that you may finalize your plans well in advance of your cruise. This form must be received by NCL no later than two weeks prior to your sailing date. Do not send payment! Orders will be processed and billed to your onboard account. Shore Excursions are also available for purchase on board. Early in the cruise, the Shore Excursion Manager will present the most up-to-date information on ports and tours. Pick up a Shore Excursion order form at the Shore Excursion Desk. Return the completed form to the Shore Excursion Desk or Drop Box as soon as possible since all requests are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Purchases will be billed to your onboard account. Tickets will be delivered to your stateroom.

#### **Are there any restrictions?**

An adult must accompany participants under the age of 18 on all tours. There is no charge for children under the age of 2 who do not occupy a separate seat on a motorcoach tour. Some tours have additional restrictions implemented for your safety. These may include age, weight, height and/or medical history related restrictions. Please refer to the individual tour description for any restrictions or consult with the onboard Shore Excursion staff.

#### **Should I tip the guide/driver?**

Tip is strictly optional; however, most tour guides and drivers expect and appreciate a modest gratuity. If food and/or beverages are not included as a part of your tour, an additional gratuity for these services is appropriate.

#### **What type of clothing should I wear?**

We suggest you wear comfortable walking shoes or sneakers and dress in light colored, loose fitting clothing. All tours operate rain or shine! Do not forget your camera and plenty of film!



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## **What tours are recommended for families?**

All tours are suitable for families. For a more affordable family experience, many tours offer lower prices for children. Some tours have additional age restrictions implemented for your safety. Please refer to the individual tour description for any additional restrictions or consult with the onboard Shore Excursion staff.

## **Will we miss meals?**

With Freestyle Cruising, you don't have to worry about missing a meal. Restaurants offer open seating.

## **What if we miss the ship?**

NCL does not leave port until all organized tours have returned to the ship. If you leave an organized tour however, or make tour arrangements on your own, please keep the time in mind and return to the ship at least 30 minutes before sailing.

## **What if I have made my own flight arrangements - will I be able to purchase airport transfers?**

Prior to your cruise, transfers may be purchased through NCL by calling reservations at 1.800.327.7030, or on board during your cruise at the Shore Excursion Desk.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### **Responsibility**

NCL, as a convenience to its guests, may sell tickets for Shore Excursions or arrange other services which are operated by independent contractors not affiliated with NCL. NCL cannot be responsible for the acts or omissions of these independent contractors. NCL's responsibility to guests on board Norwegian Cruise Line vessels is governed by provisions in the Passenger Ticket Contract and does not extend beyond the vessel.

### **Cancellation or Modification**

Cruise schedules are subject to change at the discretion of the Captain, and may occasionally be affected by variations in arrival or departure times, inclement weather, and mechanical or equipment difficulties. NCL reserves the right to change Shore Excursion prices and itineraries without notice. Excursions are subject to cancellation or modification depending on the number of guests participating. NCL reserves the right to cancel a Shore Excursion for any reason, including inclement weather, and shall not be liable for any loss to participants. Participants holding tickets for canceled Shore Excursions will receive a full refund. Should it be necessary to abandon a Shore Excursion due to difficulties en route, NCL will arrange the best possible refund for participants according to the circumstances.

### **Refunds and Cancellation Fees**

All tours cancelled within 24 hours prior to arrival in the port where the tour is scheduled to operate are non-refundable. Certain tours, such as overland tours, flightseeing tours, customized tours and tours with theater performances or special events may be subject to different cancellation fees. Check with the Shore Excursion Desk for details. You can cancel a tour by returning the tour ticket to the Shore Excursion Desk and advising the staff of the cancellation. Refunds will be credited to the guest's onboard account.

### **Prices**

Prices include meals and refreshments as indicated in the tour description (including gratuities for these services), plus guide and entrance fees, unless otherwise noted. There is no charge for children under the age of 2 who do not occupy a separate seat on a motorcoach tour. Children's prices are only available as indicated on the order form. Participants under the age of 12 pay child prices and participants 12 years of age and older pay adult prices (unless otherwise noted). All prices are in U.S. dollars.

### **Tour descriptions, Durations and Departure Times**

The tour descriptions are as current and accurate as possible considering that this document is completed several months prior to your cruise. Please note that occasionally changes in the description do occur. Any significant changes will be noted on the NCL website. Some tours will operate in an order that is different from that presented in this document. This helps to alleviate crowding at local venues. The information in this document is designed to help you select the excursions most suited to your interests. The individual tour descriptions include approximate durations and can be found under each tour name. Please note that departure times are subject to change. Please check the NCL website ([ncl.com/shorex](http://ncl.com/shorex)) for the most current descriptions.



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## **Insurance**

The duties and liabilities of a particular tour operator and the scope and extent of the operator's insurance coverage may vary widely, depending upon the country's laws and customs. Because of this, many travel professionals advise their clients to strongly consider purchasing cancellation insurance and a short-term personal health and accident policy from a reputable insurance company before leaving home.

## **Personal Possessions**

Personal articles including cameras, handbags, umbrellas, etc. are the guest's responsibility. NCL does not assume responsibility or liability for any item, or for personal effects, lost or damaged during any Shore Excursion or activity undertaken on behalf of the guest.

## **Tour Operators**

Tour operators have the right to require any individual to withdraw from a tour at any time if they deem the individual's conduct detrimental to or incompatible with the interests, comfort, well-being or harmony of the group as a whole. Tour operators reserve the right to alter or adjust itineraries to meet local conditions for participant safety and convenience. Neither NCL nor local tour operators can extend financial reimbursement to compensate for a participant's disappointment in the event circumstances beyond the reasonable control of NCL or the tour operator make it impossible to provide services as intended.

## **Transportation**

All tours include round trip transportation. The best available local transportation is utilized in every port of call. However, guests should recognize that quality standards vary considerably throughout the world. Air-conditioned vehicles are not always available. Cars, vans or taxis are often used in ports where coach transport is limited or not available.

## **Guests with Disabilities**

While NCL strives to make its Shore Excursion program available to all its guests, inherent tour venue limitations and/or tour operator limitations exist that are beyond NCL's control that limit the ability of guests with disabilities to participate in certain Shore Excursions. We urge such guests to advise the Shore Excursion department of disabilities when pre-booking tours and to further meet with the Shore Excursion Manager on board to discuss their disabilities as they relate with the unique characteristics of each Shore Excursion. We typically recommend independent transportation for the comfort and convenience of guests with disabilities.

## **TOUR INDICATORS/SYMBOLS**

- Level 1: Tours with this designation involve walking over relatively level terrain. Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- Level 2: Tours with this designation can involve a considerable amount of physical activity such as climbing stairs or steep terrain. They are not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. Comfortable, sturdy shoes are recommended. This designation can also indicate the need for swimming in a light current, or bicycle riding.
- Meal: This tour includes a meal.
- Weight: This tour has specific weight requirements.
- Age: This tour has specific age requirements.

NOTE: UNDER NCL POLICY, ALL PARTICIPANTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.



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### - KING'S WHARF, BERMUDA -

#### **SCENIC WEST END & SOUTH SHORE TAXI TOUR**

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2**

Get acquainted with the Royal Naval Dockyard and Bermuda's West End. Your driver/guide will point out the many attractions you can visit during your stay. A stop will be made at the Heydon Trust Chapel, a tiny cottage that dates back to 1616 and is located on 43 acres of rural open space, and Fort Scaur, built in the 1870s to protect overland routes to the Royal Naval Dockyard. During your tour you will cross over Somerset Bridge, reputed to be the smallest drawbridge ever built. A stop will be made for picture taking at Gibb's Hill Lighthouse, offering incredible views. Built in 1845, this lighthouse is considered one of the oldest cast-iron lighthouses in the world. Then it is on to the magnificent and scenic south shore, where you will have an opportunity to view Bermuda's famous pink sand beaches. A drive along Harbor Road offers views of the Great Sound and north shore. Your tour concludes back in the dockyard, where you can spend the rest of the day sightseeing or shopping at your leisure. Be sure to bring your camera!

*Note: Taxis carry a minimum/maximum of 6 persons per vehicle. Not all taxis can accommodate electric wheelchairs/scooters. Advanced notice required.*

#### **TROLLEY TRAIN TOUR OF WEST END**

**Approximate Duration: 1 hour**

**Level 1**

The Royal Naval Dockyard, one of Bermuda's most-visited venues, is rich in Bermuda's maritime history and offers many exciting activities and attractions just waiting to be explored. The best way to get an overview of this area is on the Trolley Train. Throughout the tour, the conductor shares humorous stories, colorful anecdotes and fascinating historical information as you enjoy your train ride. The highlights include such areas as Lagoon Park, the Royal Naval Cemetery and the Clocktower Center in the immediate Dockyard area.

#### **RESTLESS NATIVE CATAMARAN CRUISE**

**Approximate Duration: 3 1/2 hours**

**Level 2**

The fun begins the moment you step aboard this spacious and comfortable 50-foot pink sailing catamaran. Voted one of Bermuda's top tours, this is an adventure you won't want to miss. It is famous for its hot home-baked cookies, prepared fresh on board daily. You'll receive complimentary iced tea and lemonade all day, as well as snacks and tasty rum swizzles after your swim. You can snorkel in shallow water in a secluded and picturesque cove, sunbathe in the roomy hammocks or relax in the comfort of the interior cabin with its full amenities. You'll be entertained with stories about Bermuda's history, culture and geology and learn more about the underwater world than you could have imagined. You'll receive clean, quality snorkel gear, and best of all, a snorkel tour with an expert guide. It's a great day out and fun for the whole family. Sign up early for this one, as it's a very popular excursion!

*Note: Participants must negotiate steps to get in and out of boat and must be able to negotiate a ladder in order to get into and out of the water.*

#### **FANTASEA GLASS-BOTTOM BOAT & BEACH SNORKEL**

**Appropriate Duration: 3 hours**

Get an introduction to Bermuda's marine life, and enjoy snorkeling and a little beach time. This shoreline cruise takes you to the pristine Sea Gardens, and the shipwreck of the Vixen, a fantastic habitat for a variety of fish and other marine life. This jet-powered, glass-bottom boat allows you to view it all, up close, in safe, dry comfort. Departing the reef, the boat will pause at the nearby sea grass beds, where you may spot a few of the many transient turtles that take refuge in this mid-Atlantic sanctuary. Then head to one of the many small beaches that line the western islands. Here, the vessel's shallow draft allows it to anchor in just three feet of water. You may use some of the boat's snorkel gear and explore the shoreline in search of colorful parrotfish, walk ashore to the beach or just relax on board. Island tunes and a complimentary rum swizzle will be available on your return trip, along with an introduction to island life at its finest.

*Note: Participants wishing to snorkel must be able to swim.*



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## **BERMUDA BELL HELMET DIVING**

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2, Age, Weight**

Helmet diving is a fun and safe way to explore the wonders beneath the water. Imagine walking underwater as a guide leads you along a shallow sandy pathway bounded by dazzling coral reefs and a stunning variety of multicolored fish. On the ride out, your Captain will provide a short safety briefing on what to expect and the do's and don'ts of helmet diving. He will take you out on Cameron, a 40-foot Admirals launch, to a shallow ocean site, fit you with a diving helmet and help you down the ladder (about 7-8 steps) into the water. He will personally guide you through the warm undersea gardens, hidden just below the surface. There you will feed the trained hog fish, Theodore, who will swim right down to you and take a mussel from your fingers. The helmets, which are custom made, are big and spacious. Filming begins from the very minute you step on the ladder and continues until you are back in the boat, where you can immediately relive your experience on video in the air-conditioned cabin. Your entire adventure will be captured on both personalized digital photos and a video, which are available for purchase at the conclusion of your dive.

*Note: Participants must be at least 10 years of age, weigh less than 250 lbs. and must fill out a medical questionnaire and liability release form. No swimming ability is needed and you can wear glasses or contact lenses under your helmet. Wet suits and hot drinks are provided when the water temperature is below 80 degrees. Cold sodas are available in summer months. Each dive is approximately 30 minutes long, with 6 or 7 people per dive. There is a large shaded area, air-conditioned cabin, sun deck, full bathroom and changing room with shower on board.*

## **MARQUIS HORSE & CARRIAGE RIDE**

**Approximate Duration: 1 hour**

This one-hour scenic tour will acquaint you with the historic Royal Naval Dockyard and surrounding areas of Ireland Island. You will see locations such as the old and new prisons, the Commissioner's House, the Old Naval Cemetery, Black Bay, Parsons Bay and the local fisherman's area. Travel past the site where movies such as 'The Deep' and 'Bermuda Depths' were filmed and take a glimpse at the residential area on the return ride. Your tour route is filled with native vegetation and flowers, all of which will be pointed out and described by your knowledgeable guide.

*Note: You must be able to board the carriage on your own.*

## **DOLPHIN DIP**

**Approximate Duration: 1/2 hour**

**Level 2, Age**

This dolphin experience takes place within the walls of the Maritime Museum. The Museum is a separate attraction from the dolphins, and the price of this excursion includes the museum entrance fee. The Dolphin Dip is a half-hour in duration, including a brief introduction and 25 minutes of dolphin time in a combination of both shallow and deep water. Half the time is spent sitting waist-high on a submerged platform, where the dolphins come right up to you! The other half of the program takes place in the deeper water, where you observe the dolphins swimming under and around you. You will even have a chance to see them through a mask and experience more interaction with them. Swimming is done on the surface of the water - there is no underwater diving involved.

*Note: Participants must be at least 8 years of age and strong swimmers. Lifejackets are required throughout the duration of the program and waivers must be signed prior to departure. This tour is not recommended for pregnant women.*

## **WILD WEST KAYAK & SNORKEL COMBINATION**

**Appropriate Duration: 3 1/2 hours**

**Level 2**

Explore Bermuda's rural West End above and below the surface with this kayak and snorkel combination tour. Board a shuttle to Ely's Harbor, where, following instruction in the sport of paddling, you will board stable, "sit-on-top" double kayaks for a fully guided and narrated shoreline tour. Enjoy views of rocky coastlines and beaches inhabited with coastline creatures such as Bermuda long tails, egrets, herons and various crustaceans. The area is home to a variety of corals, fish and turtles which you may spot in the clear calm shallows beneath you.

Following the kayak tour, you will have the opportunity to don a mask and snorkel for an up-close and personal encounter with a variety of marine life in the area, and a view of the world's most northern coral reef. Complimentary refreshments are available at the end of your tour.

*Note: This tour is not recommended for those with a history of heart or respiratory condition or those with limited mobility or back problems.*



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## THE EZ RIDER ELECTRIC BIKE'N HIKE TOUR

**Approximate Duration: 2 1/2 hours**

**Level 2, Weight**

Enjoy the bicycle experience without the bicycle pain! This excursion is twice the fun and half the effort! Tour Bermuda on an easy-to-pedal electric mountain bicycle. It is so easy to pedal you'll feel like you have bionic legs! You must pedal to make it go with the assistance of an electric motor and when you stop pedaling, the motor stops and your ped-elec bike coasts and stops just like a bicycle. Enjoy this 2-1/2 hour, guided, pedal-assisted seven-speed, electric mountain bicycle excursion through Bermuda's picturesque West End. You will depart from the Royal Naval Dockyard, then ride almost effortlessly over lazy country roads, through quiet neighborhoods and the historic Railway Trail. Pause at scenic vistas and points of interest along the way, culminating in a five-minute hike up to beautiful Fort Scaur Park with its centuries-old British fort, and a spectacular 360-degree view of the Island. Your tour concludes with a final ride to the ferry, where you begin a 20-minute lazy cruise back to Dockyard.

*Note: Participants must be at least 5'1" tall, weigh less than 250 lbs. and be in general good health. Helmets are mandatory. A waiver must be signed prior to participation. We recommend that you wear sturdy shoes or sneakers. Tour includes a complimentary 20 oz. bottle of water and the ferry ticket.*

## GLASS-BOTTOM BOAT & SIGHTSEEING CRUISE

**Approximate Duration: 1 1/2 hours**

**Level 1**

A Fantasea glass-bottom boat cruise is the best way to see this beautiful island from above and below the waves. Relax on the spacious upper deck and enjoy the passing seascapes as your Captain relates little known facts and insights about Bermuda's history, people and island life. You'll cruise to the pristine Sea Gardens and the shipwreck of the Vixen, a fantastic habitat for a variety of fish, surrounded by miles of the world's northernmost coral reef. Your jet-powered, glass-bottom boat allows you to view it all, up close, in safe, dry comfort. Departing the reef, the boat will pause at the nearby sea grass beds, where you may spot a few of the many transient turtles that take refuge in this mid-Atlantic sanctuary. A complimentary rum swizzle during the ride home completes your introduction to island life.

## BOAT, BIKE & BEACH

**Approximate Duration: 3 1/2 hours**

**Level 2, Weight**

This is a great tour for the active person who would like to see some of the less-traveled areas of Bermuda, get a little exercise and a well-deserved beach break. Enjoy a shoreline cruise to the exotic Nine Beaches Resort in the rural west end of Bermuda. Here, you will be provided with a 21-speed mountain bike, along with riding instructions and safety information, for a guided cycle tour along the original Bermuda Railway Trail. During the bike ride, your guide will offer informative commentary and stop at various points of interest along five to eight miles of mostly flat trail. You'll enjoy spectacular views, stunning seascapes, lush gardens and exotic flora and fauna. You will have the opportunity to hike up to historic Fort Scaur or visit the sprawling 18th century Mott family estate. Following the ride, you will have time for a refreshing cool off swim at the resort beach before the return boat cruise. You may choose to stay and enjoy the restaurant, bar and water sports facility and make your way back to your ship on your own.

*Note: Participants must weight less than 250 lbs. and be taller than 4'10". Cyclists will want to wear good sneakers and lightweight clothing over a bathing suit, and bring a towel. Helmets and refreshments are supplied. This tour is not recommended for those with a history of heart or respiratory problems or those with limited mobility or back problems.*

## LONGTAIL SIGHTSEEING CRUISE

**Approximate Duration: 2 1/4 hours**

Cruise on board the Longtail, hear about the history of the Royal Naval Dockyard, take pictures of the colorful Bermuda homes while cruising through picturesque Cavello Bay, and on to Somerset Bridge, the smallest drawbridge in the world. You'll also visit the old U.S. Naval Annex, Gibb's Hill Lighthouse and The Fairmont Southampton Princess Hotel. You will see the homes of affluent Bermudian residents as you cruise through the 32 islands of the Great Sound and on to the city of Hamilton, where your tour ends. Your knowledgeable commentator will inform you of how best to travel about the entire island, and provide you with a complimentary bus/ferry ticket for your return to the ship. Available for purchase from the bar/canteen is the popular Longtail rum swizzle (jungle juice), as well as fresh coffee or tea.



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## - KING'S WHARF DIVE IN™ -

### TROPICAL ISLAND & BEACH SNORKEL

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2, Age, Weight**

This is an exciting way to experience snorkeling and sightseeing in one cruise. While listening to the sound of island music, sit back and relax on this spacious, custom built snorkeling/sightseeing motor boat Consort. YOU will arrive at a semi-private island fringed by coral reefs with its own small beach, a few yards from where we anchor. Onboard you will receive full snorkeling instructions and be provided with complete snorkeling equipment, including a snorkel vest. Then it is time for you to explore the underwater world viewing a variety of colorful reef fish, sea fans and coral formations or if you prefer you can swim or sunbathe on the beach. On your return, listen to an informative commentary covering Bermuda's fascinating past and present. Along the shoreline view some of Bermuda's most luxurious homes. This is a thoroughly entertaining cruise, one not to be missed!

*Note: Participants must be at least 7 years of age, weigh less than 300 lbs. and in good health. Must be comfortable in the water, as the surface conditions may be rough, be able to get on and off boat and swim platform with ease and know how to swim in deep, open water.*

### BERMUDA SNUBA EXPERIENCE

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2, Age**

Take the plunge! Go beyond snorkeling with this Bermuda snuba experience. Snuba combines the ease of snorkeling with the excitement of diving, allowing you the opportunity to breathe underwater without an additional 60 pounds of cumbersome dive gear. No previous dive or snorkel experience is required; your dive professionals will train you in the proper procedures necessary to explore this underwater paradise. Enjoy a short boat cruise to the Nine Beaches Resort at Daniel's Head Marine Park. Here, following instruction at the shallow water beach, you will experience a guided dive, during which you will encounter abundant coral and marine life. Before or after your snuba experience, you will also have time to relax and enjoy the beach or explore the resort.

*Note: Participants must be at least 8 years of age. Pregnant women are not allowed.*

### ULTIMATE CATAMARAN SNORKEL

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2**

The fun begins as soon as you board Bermuda's largest and most comfortable custom-built sailing catamaran. Sunbathe on the massive trampolines or relax in the shaded cockpit as you cruise to one of the Captain's favorite snorkel spots, selected daily according to surface conditions. During the sail out, you can enjoy the views and relax as the crew chat with you about Bermuda's exotic marine life, existing among one of the world's healthiest coral reef systems. Once at anchor, your snorkel instructor will provide a complete snorkeling lesson prior to guiding you into the water. You may choose to join him on a guided tour along the fringe reef, or decide to explore the undersea world with your buddy. This is an offshore snorkel tour that is ideal for all snorkelers, including those who seek further instruction or additional flotation. You will also enjoy complimentary soft drinks. A full cash bar is available.

*Note: There is a short walk to board the boat.*

## - GREAT STIRRUP CAY, BAHAMAS -

### PRIVATE ISLAND SNORKELING

**Approximate Duration: All day**

One of our most popular programs, this snorkel experience is perfect for beginners and experts alike. You'll have your equipment all day, so you can snorkel when you feel like it. Ask any of the instructors on the beach for a free lesson, and then you'll be ready to explore the exciting underwater world of NCL's very own private island. Swim or wade around in the sandy shallows to check out the many schools of fish and our artificial reef. Or if conditions permit, swim outside the cove and discover deeper water and coral formations. You might even meet Bert & Ernie, our friendly resident stingrays. Your knowledgeable Dive In™ instructors will even snorkel around the cove with you to point out the local marine life during our complimentary guided tours, which depart from the beach hourly.

*Note: Participants must be able to swim.*



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## **GREAT STIRRUP CAY / WATER SPORTS**

Enjoy the beautiful waters of Great Stirrup Cay in any of these exciting ways:

### **PARASAIL**

### **Weight**

Sail 400 feet above the pristine waters of the Bahamas in tandem while being towed by a brand new parasail boat off the beach of Great Stirrup Cay.

*Note: Participants must weigh at least 60 lbs., but this might vary depending on the weather conditions of the day. Parasailing is seasonal, and usually available during the summer months only.*

### **SOFT FOAM FLOAT AND/OR LARGE INFLATABLE RAFT** (all day)

Enjoy a tranquil afternoon floating lazily in Bertram's Cove. Peek through the clear water below your raft to see colorful fish swim by.

### **PADDLE VIEW BOATS** (per half-hour)

See the amazing underwater world of the Caribbean while remaining perfectly dry in this catamaran-style paddleboat with a viewing panel.

### **KAYAKS** (one or two person - per hour)

This is the perfect time to learn or brush up on your existing kayaking skills in warm water. Kayaks are stable and easy to use.

### **KIS-KAT SAILBOATS** (per hour)

Beginners and experienced sailors alike will enjoy a day at sea on these stable catamaran-style boats.

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*An approximately 10 to 15-minute walk is required to board transportation for all Nassau tours.*

## **ARDASTRA ZOO & GARDENS**

### **Approximate Duration: 2 1/2 hours**

### **Level 1**

Your tour begins as you drive through the heart of downtown to Fort Fincastle, which was built to protect the harbor from pirates. After leaving the Fort, you will be able to walk down the Queen's Staircase, whose 65 or 66 steps - depending on who's counting - were carved in solid limestone in honor of Queen Victoria's reign. Your next stop is Ardastra Gardens, Zoo and Conservation Center, with five-and-a-half acres of lush tropical gardens, home to the largest collection of Bahamian endangered species. You can see the world-famous marching flamingos strut their stuff and feed the beautiful lorry parrots by hand. Your transport from the time of pick-up until drop-off at Ardastra is fully narrated, giving you an inside look at Bahamian culture.

*Note: This tour ends at the Straw Market, where you will have the opportunity to shop for unique island gifts and souvenirs.*

## **CITY TOUR & PIRATE MUSEUM**

### **Approximate Duration: 2 1/2 hours**

### **Level 2**

Ahoy mates! Your journey back to Nassau's dark pirate past begins at the gangway of your ship, where a pirate will meet you and invite you to climb aboard a minibus for a ride past Rawson Square to Fort Fincastle and the Queen's Staircase on your way to Fort Charlotte. Your certified guide will explain why fearsome rogues like Blackbeard and Long Ben Avery came to Nassau. The last leg of your journey will take you to Pirates of Nassau, called the best pirate attraction in the world. Discover a three-quarter-length replica pirate ship depicting a Caribbean dockside of the period. Walk through and experience life at sea as it really was on a pirate ship. Come face to face with women pirates Ann Bonny and Mary Read. A short stroll on your own via Bay Street will take you back to your ship.

*Note: This tour ends at the Pirate Museum on Bay Street in the shopping district, within walking distance of the Straw Market. Should you choose to enter Fort Charlotte, you will be required to pay a fee (\$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors and \$2.00 for children below 14 years of age) before you are given a tour by a Government certified guide. This fee is not included in your tour price.*



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# DAWN SHORE EXCURSIONS

## SEE & SEA

**Approximate Duration: 2 1/2 hours**

**Level 2**

This tour combines the Seaworld Explorer tour with a one-hour city tour of Nassau. Take a scenic boat cruise past downtown Nassau and famous Paradise Island aboard a custom-built transfer boat. Arriving at the Sea Gardens Marine Park at Athol Island, board the Seaworld Explorer, a modern underwater viewing vessel from which you will have the chance to see a 70-year-old shipwreck and dozens of species of tropical fish like yellowtail snapper, sergeant majors, parrot fish and queen angel fish swimming in a delicate colony of coral thousands of years in the making. After exploring this underwater world, you will board a minibus for an introductory tour of Nassau. Travel to historic Bay Street in downtown and Rawson Square - the traditional center of the Bahamian Government. Here, you will learn about picturesque pastel buildings, erected in the early 1800s, which include the House of Parliament, the old Colonial Secretary's Office, and the Supreme Court. Your next stop will be Fort Charlotte, built in 1788 and complete with a moat, open battlements and dungeons. Other short stops will include Fort Fincastle and the Queen's Staircase. Drive past the Governor's Mansion and see the impressive statue of Christopher Columbus.

*Note: Sequence of stops on land may vary due to traffic conditions on the day of the tour.*

## SEAWORLD EXPLORER

**Approximate Duration: 1 1/2 hours**

**Level 2**

This sightseeing tour highlights the panoramic views of Nassau and Paradise Island with a cruise aboard Seaworld Explorer, a semi-submarine that makes a fascinating underwater tour of Sea Gardens Marine Park. Transfer by boat from the dock in Nassau for an approximately 20-minute scenic ride through the waterway that divides the two famous sections of New Providence Island. Take in the sights of Nassau and Paradise Island, with its famous resorts surrounded by multi-million dollar homes of the rich and famous and marinas boasting opulent yachts. Arriving at the underwater marine park at Athol Island, transfer to the Seaworld Explorer underwater viewing vessel. Described as a state-of-the-art glass-bottom boat, this moving underwater observatory offers a cruise while you are seated five feet below the surface of the water in air-conditioned comfort, with a view through clear glass windows. The waters around the island are known as the Sea Gardens, and are filled with shipwrecks and dozens of tropical fish, like yellowtail snapper, sergeant majors, parrotfish, and queen angelfish. Observe, first-hand, a delicate colony of coral thousands of years in the making, including seafans, elkhorn, and staghorn coral - even brain coral. Then, get your cameras ready for the frantic fish feeding session. One-and-a-half hours after you set out, you'll be back at the dock, with plenty of time left for shopping or more sightseeing.

## DISCOVER ATLANTIS

**Approximate Duration: 2 1/2 hours**

**Level 2**

Immerse yourself in the legend of Atlantis during this exciting excursion. After a brief transfer to the Paradise Island Bus Terminal approximately one block from Atlantis, your navigator escorts you to the resort and guides you through an exploration of Atlantis to see the most mystifying and spectacular resort to have risen from the sea. Discover the world's largest marine habitat, and view over 50,000 sea animals representing 200 different species. Also explore the Dig, which will reveal how Atlantean culture flourished over 11,000 years ago. Come to discover a continent in just one day at Atlantis Paradise Island. At the conclusion of the guided portion of the tour, you will have some time on your own to return to the Dig and its exhibits, explore the hotel's grand lobby or have a bite to eat.

*Note: This tour does not include access or use of the resort pool, beach area or water slides and is not recommended for those with physical limitations. Although most walking is on level terrain, there is a considerable amount of walking involved. You will get a voucher for the return bus ride from Paradise Island Bus Terminal to your ship. Shuttle buses depart on the half hour.*

## DOLPHIN ENCOUNTER

**Approximate Duration: 3 1/2 hours**

**Level 1, Age**

Enjoy this opportunity to learn about, meet and interact with the most beloved mammal in the ocean - the bottlenose dolphin. The smiling face, friendly nature and legendary intelligence of these animals account for their huge popularity. The goal of the program is to foster a greater respect for dolphins and marine mammals, as well as the environment. You will be transferred to and from Blue Lagoon Island by boat from the pier (30 minutes each way). This lagoon is home to sixteen bottlenose dolphins. Upon arrival, you will be met by the dolphin trainers for a 10-minute educational briefing before your encounter with these graceful mammals. You will be helped onto a floating platform in small groups for the greatest highlight - the opportunity to touch and interact with these animals in waist-deep water.

*Note: Participants must be at least 4 years of age and accompanied by a participating adult if under 18 years of age. Actual in-water encounter time is approximately 20 minutes. Approximately 1/2 to 1 mile of walking on the pier is required. Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel from your ship. Space is very limited so please book early.*



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# DAWN SHORE EXCURSIONS

## **THRILLER POWERBOAT**

**Approximate Duration: 1 hour**

**Level 2, Age, Weight**

This is Nassau's most exciting sightseeing tour. Ride one of Thriller's custom-built, state-of-the-art boats for a sightseeing tour you will not soon forget! Riding at high and low speeds, the narrated tour takes you through historic Nassau Harbor and around Paradise Island, making several stops at points of interest for great photo opportunities. These include private islands, lighthouses, dolphins and famous hotels. With plush seating and spectacular views from the ocean, this is a great family tour.

*Note: Participants must be at least 5 years of age and weigh less than 350 lbs. This tour is not recommended for guests with heart, neck or back problems and pregnant women. Ride may be bumpy.*

## **HARTLEY'S UNDERSEA WALK**

**Approximate Duration: 3 1/2 hours**

**Level 2, Age**

Grab your swimsuit and towel and get ready for an experience of a lifetime, exploring the reefs the way the earliest marine biologists did before Scuba was invented. It is like taking a walk in a botanical garden under the sea - the helmet keeps your head completely dry so you can breathe as you would on land, and you can even wear your glasses or contact lenses. It is the safest way to dive for all ages, and great for non-swimmers (swimming is not permitted, as it scares the fish). You'll enjoy a guided tour through the undersea reef formations, barefoot on the soft sand in 12- to 15-foot deep water. Walking under the sea in an octopus garden is something you will not want to miss!

*Note: Participants must be at least 5 years of age and must have the ability to kneel down and be able to climb up and down a 12-foot underwater ladder to the sandy ocean floor. This tour is not recommended for guests with physical disabilities or claustrophobia. Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel. Underwater pictures will be available at an additional charge. Space is very limited, so please book early.*

## **- NASSAU DIVE IN™ -**

## **ATHOL ISLAND SNORKEL**

**Approximate Duration: 2 1/2 hours**

**Level 2, Age**

Board a modern snorkel boat for a narrated harbor cruise on the way to the snorkeling site off Athol Island. While cruising this beautiful harbor, you will be briefed on historical points of interest, as well as the homes of the rich and famous. Once at the snorkel site, you will discover that the real beauty of the Bahamas is all wet! You will snorkel in some of the clearest waters with an abundance of marine life. The knowledgeable staff will guide you along the reef and answer any questions that you might have.

*Note: Participants must be at least 6 years of age to snorkel, and must be able to swim. A moderate 10 to 15-minute walk is required to/from the boat. Snorkeling equipment is provided prior to departure.*

## **AMERICA'S CUP RACING EXPERIENCE**

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2, Age**

Enjoy an exhilarating America's Cup-style match racing experience onboard two ex-Team New Zealand, America's Cup racing yachts, NZL 10 and NZL 12. Each yacht accommodates 25 participants, who can be as actively involved in the racing action as they like. You'll be encouraged to be part of the racing crew, trim the sails, take the helm or work the grinders. However if you would just like to sit back, relax and watch all the action happening right in front of you, that's OK too. Non-alcoholic beverages are provided during the excursion and once back at the dock, you will be able to celebrate this unique experience and have the opportunity to purchase merchandise, photos and videos to show your friends and family back home.

*Note: Participants must be at least 12 years of age, in good health and be able to move around and between boats, which involves stepping up and down between vessels and docks. This tour is not advisable for pregnant women or those with medical conditions.*

## **STINGRAY ADVENTURE & SNORKEL**

**Approximate Duration: 3 hours**

**Level 2**

Enjoy a scenic 25-minute boat ride through Nassau Harbor to the private Island of Blackbeard's Cay, featuring crystal clear turquoise water, island music, water sports and a variety of activities. Once you arrive on the island, you will be escorted to "Stingray Adventure," where you will be briefed on how to use the snorkeling equipment and given safety tips and details about the Atlantic Southern stingrays. Once in the water, enjoy snorkeling and the thrill of hand feeding stingrays as they gracefully glide around you. After you swim, enjoy the rest of your time on the beach or at Blackbeard's famous Bacardi beach bars. Other water sports are available for purchase, as are food and beverages. At your leisure, re-board the tender boat back to your cruise ship. This is a wonderful experience for the entire family.

*Note: An adult must accompany children 10 years of age and younger into the stingray pool. Bring your swimsuit and a towel.*

## **NEW YORK AIRPORT TRANSFERS**

For those guests with independent flight arrangements in New York, transfers to La Guardia Airport are available for purchase through NCL by calling reservations at 1.800.327.7030, or onboard during your cruise at the Shore Excursion Desk.



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