TIPS TO HAVE
YOUR

MOST ENJOYABLE VACATION

Are you ready? Relax!



## **RULE NUMBER ONE ANTICIPATE!**

#### **PLANNING AHEAD**





# **BOOK AHEAD!**

# WHEN I SAY, Book Ahead, I mean FAR AHEAD!

- Now you have BRAGGING RIGHTS!
- Now you have a topic of conversation with family and friends and your travel professional!.

EXAMPLE: I had clients who took one special vacation each year. After that vacation, they would come to see me to tell me all about their trip. That was a fun time! It also allowed me to make sure any issues they experienced had been taken care of.

At that time they were ready to book their next vacation They once loved a cruise so much that they booked the same cruise, same cabin the following year!

They had 11 months of ANTICIPATION!

## PRIOR PLANNING!

#### **PLAN IT!**

But You say,"I just did! I gave you a deposit! I am set to go!

Not so FAST!
Right now TIME is on your SIDE!
You have time to perfect your adventure!.



## **STEPS TO PERFECTION!**

## **Very Important Information!**

For Very Important Travelers!

## STUDY YOUR DESTINATIONS!

- Make a list of your "must sees" and your "must dos".
- Provide them to your Travel Professional...
- As a teenager I was in the Louvre. I missed the Mona Lisa because I did not know she was there.

## YOUR TRAVELDOCUMENTS

- Find them!
- Check them NOW for everyone in your party.
- Make sure all passports will have at least 6 months validity when you return home. If not renew!
- Compare the names on the passports with the names given to your travel agent. They must agree. Notify your travel agent of any discrepancies.
- A great travel professional will probably have already requested a copy of your passport page at time of booking.

## **STEPS TO PERFECTION**

#### CONTINUED

## **PACKING LISTS**

- Make your Packing Lists.
- Packing Lists will help you make a shopping list.
- This allows you to purchase necessities prior to last minute frenzy purchasing.
- Remember prescription drugs. When packing remember to pack separate amounts in carry-on and in luggage.
- Carry-ons should have essentials to get you through 24hrs. If you are traveling with an infant enough diapers and nourishment....

## **COPY IT**

- Make copies of all prescription drugs for all travelers.
- Make copies of all passport or IDs being used for travel.
- Carry these copies in carry-on separate from the actual documents.

## PLAN FOR DEPARTURE RELAXATION!

#### **EARLY FLIGHT?**

- Stay the night before at an Airport Hotel with a Free parking package. They will give you a wake-up call and then shuttle you to and from the hotel to the airport.
- The cost will be close to what you would pay for parking alone.
- You do not have to worry about getting to the airport on time!
- It also gives you time to turn around and go home to retrieve the hang-up bag that "somebody" left hanging in the closet! (Actual client experience.)

#### **CRUISING?**

- Depart at least a day prior.
- Book a hotel where you can have a lovely dinner and breakfast in the morning.
- Better still, put a day or two in for sightseeing at the port city you are departing from!
- I can't think of a port city that does not have great sightseeing in the vicinity! (Love Miami! Vancouver! Ft.Lauderdale! New York! Etc...)
- Take the hotel shuttle to the pier and board your ship! No carrying your own bags! Of course tips apply!

# AT THE AIRPORT Getting Down to Business

- If you can check in curbside, do it! It is worth the tip! Make sure you have all boarding passes and bag checks!
- Go immediately through Security! (If you have TSA PreChek or one of the other preboarding IDs, you will
  probably breeze through. If not, be prepared for aggravation. This too shall pass.)
- Remember you are on vacation!
- Once through Security, locate your Departure Gate...Then you can go for coffee or an adult beverage!
- Pay attention to announcements.
- Present yourself at the Gate at the boarding time stamped on your boarding pass. (Full flights will close their doors and not reopen for late arrivals.)
- Once on board buckle up! (Here is where you may want headphones and a good book.) You can relax! You are
  on your way to your fantastic vacation!



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