



# Newsletter

Autumn 2010

Welcome to our Autumn Edition of the Solo Club newsletter!

As summer bids farewell for another 12 months, it's time to welcome existing and new SOLO members to our Autumn Newsletter.

Our Coffee 'n' Cinema Get Together proved to be great fun. Members enjoyed the opportunity to chat and have a coffee before the movie. The conversation time proved so successful that some SOLOers met after the movie to keep going!

For those new to the SOLO Travellers Club I'd like to welcome you aboard and trust that the companionship and travel opportunities that arise will prove to be life memories for you.

Our objective is quite simple: to provide you with travel options suitable to your lifestyle and at the same time enable you to meet like minded travellers and save on Single Supplements and other expenses which hit the single traveller quite unfairly.

You can also put requests on our FREE Want To Share Bulletin where similar travellers have placed their requests for companions to share experiences.

Our next Function is on the 17<sup>th</sup> March and we're going River Cruising! Join us on an Afternoon High Tea Canal Cruise on the Gold Coast Waterways. We'll cruise on the air conditioned Sapphire with the full High Tea experience included.

There is room for only 28 SOLO members on board so you will need to book as soon as possible. Concession Card Holders \$27 and Non Concession \$34.

Don't forget to check out the travel offerings outlined in this issue and contact any of our senior consultants at our three Gold Coast based offices for assistance.

That's it for this issue. See you on the River!!

Greg Clayton  
Tanya Lollback  
Solo Club Co-Ordinators

## SAILING SOLO

Jump onboard, meet your fellow members and enjoy High Tea on the Gold Coast Waterways.

**What:** Cruise the Gold Coast Canals and enjoy a selection of finger sandwiches, sushi, mini wraps, sausage rolls, pasties, fresh seasonal fruit, lamingtons, muffins and sweet pastries. Served with tea and your choice of coffee.

**Where:** Cruise departs from Tiki Village, 6 Ferny Avenue, Surfers Paradise

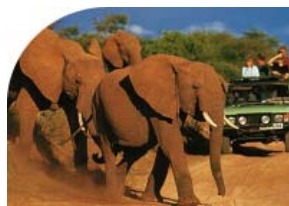
**When:** Wednesday 17 March  
Please be at Tiki Village by 1.30pm  
Cruise returns at 3.30pm

**Cost:** \$34pp, or \$27pp concession\*  
\*pensioners/seniors

**RSVP:** To Cheryl, ph 555 42 777  
By Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
Money due Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March

**Don't Miss the Boat...**  
**Places are Limited, RSVP now!**

*We look forward to seeing you there!*



**23 Days**  
*Departs 21 Aug 2010*  
**All-Inclusive**  
**\$14,750pp**  
**ONE PLACE LEFT!**

## EAST AFRICA, EGYPT & ABU DHABI

**THE BEST BIG GAME RESERVES at the BEST TIME OF YEAR** Amboseli, Lake Nakuru, Samburu, Great Rift Valley, Masai Mara

**ANTIQUITIES OF ANCIENT EGYPT** Cairo, Giza, Luxor, Edfu, Kom Ombo, Aswan

**BEDOUIN HERITAGE OF MODERN ABU DHABI**

Includes: Flights ex Brisbane, departure taxes, superior deluxe accom, comprehensive sightseeing, brilliant entertainment, most meals, plus services of the best Guides & Tour Escort.

Call for Complete Brochure

## Solo Studio's now on NCL

Norwegian Cruise Line announced that it would dedicate a total of 128 studio cabins for the exclusive use of solo travellers, aboard its newest vessel Norwegian Epic, which launches in June.

NCL also said it would not be charging a single supplement on the solo cabins, instead pricing them for solo occupancy starting at around US\$799 for its seven-day Caribbean itineraries.

"We are breaking the mould of traditional cruising once again by offering a stateroom designed and priced specifically for solo travellers, making cruising a more attractive travel option," said NCL's ceo Kevin Sheehan.

The rooms themselves are designed solely for one passenger, and measure 100 square feet and feature 'contemporary' design elements, a full-size bed and a separate area for the bathroom, sink and shower.

Solo travellers staying in the studios will also be granted exclusive access to the 'Studio Lounge', a place where they can mingle with fellow solo travellers over a variety of beverages, both alcoholic and non alcoholic.

Another feature in selected solo studios is a connecting door between rooms, meaning that friends who wish to claim their own separate space can do so – whilst also being able to open the door between rooms.



## CARIBBEAN

Onboard the new 'Norwegian Epic'

**WESTERN CARIBBEAN:** Miami, Costa Maya, Roatan, Cozumel, Miami

**EASTERN CARIBBEAN:** Miami, St Maarten, St Thomas, Nassau, Miami

7 Days

Departures July 2010 to Aug 2011

**Fly & Cruise from \$3,399pp**

OR 14 Day back-to-back \$4,599pp

Price includes return air ex Brisbane, cruise in a Studio cabin, and port charges. Pricing based on October departures.

## ITALIAN RENDEZVOUS

### SINGLES TOUR

For solos aged 45 years and over

**Milan, Como, Venice/Treviso, La Spezia, Florence, Assisi, Sorrento, Rome**

16 Days – Departs 19 June 2010

**Twin Share from \$5,695pp – Single from \$6,590**

Includes: 15 nights first class hotel accommodation, daily buffet breakfast, 9 dinners, sightseeing and services of professional tour escort.

*Room mate matching service available.*

## TASMANIAN WILDERNESS

### LUXURY SINGLES TOUR – NO SUPPLEMENT

*Includes private aircraft travel & boutique accommodation*

**Hobart, Bruny Island, Freycinet National Park, Mole Creek Karst National park, Cradle Mountain, Strahan, Port Arthur**

8 Days – Departs 23 October 2010

Journey Inclusions: 8 nights boutique accommodation, all meals, Private aircraft travel throughout, all sightseeing and entrance fees, portage, services of an experienced Journey Director.

**Cost ex Hobart - \$8,295pp**

## COASTAL NORWAY

### NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

*For Travel to 14 April*

**WORLDS MOST BEAUTIFUL VOYAGE**  
Spectacular Norway at its Best  
*On 4 Star 'Hurtigruten'*

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Norwegian Fjords & Coastline, Stunning Glaciers, North Cape, Tromso, Lofoten Islands, Arctic Circle, Trondheim, Bergen

12 Day Voyage - **Bergen via Kirkenes to Bergen**  
**From \$3,173pp**

## CHINA DISCOVERY

### SINGLES TOUR

For solos aged 45 years and over

**Beijing, Xian, Wuhan, Yichang, Yangtze River Cruise, Chongqing, Guilin, Yangshuo, Guilin, Shanghai**

18 Days – Departs 2 October 2010

**Twin Share from \$4,880pp – Single from \$5,640**

Includes: Return International airfare ex Australia, accommodation, 4 star Yangtze Cruise, all domestic flights, all meals while touring China, sightseeing, English speaking National Escort and local guides and gratuities on tour.

*Room mate matching service available.*



# AEGEAN ODYSSEY

**Aegean Odyssey** is a premium class ship that is being especially rebuilt to cater for cruising in the coastal waters of the central and eastern Mediterranean. The vessel provides the best features of a mid-size ship such as passenger space, a choice of restaurants and stability in inclement weather. It also has the personal service and intimate surroundings of a small ship.

## FLY FREE plus NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

With included Shore Excursions, Gratuities and Wine with Dinner

### Sicily Is The Key To Everything

#### ATHENS TO ROME

Piraeus/ Athens, Nauplia, Taormina, Syracuse, Trapani, Palermo, Cefalu, Stramboli, Salerno, Amalfi/Positano, Sorrento, Capri, Civitavecchia/Rome

*14 Nights - Departs 18 May 2010*

**FLY FREE & Cruise from \$5,295pp**

### Pompeii Is Something So Wonderful

#### ROME TO VENICE

Civitavecchia/Rome, Sorrento, Amalfi/Positano, Salerno, Lipari, Cefalu, Palermo, Trapani, Agrigento, Syracuse, Taormina, Dubrovnik, Korcula, Split, Hvar, Venice

*14 Nights - Departs 1 June 2010*

**FLY FREE & Cruise from \$5,575pp**

# GRAND CARIBBEAN ODYSSEY

No Single Supplement

## SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN - CUBA SOUTH & CENTRAL AMERICA - MEXICO

**Best Caribbean Itinerary in 2010**

*INCLUDES 4 DAYS in CUBA*

**Best Time of Year to Visit**

Barbados (British West Indies), Grenada, Tobago, Trinidad, La Guaira, Curacao (Netherlands Antilles), Aruba, Montego Bay (Jamaica), Santiago de Cuba (Cuba), 3 days Havana (Cuba), Progreso (Mexico), Belize City (Belize), Puerto Cortes (Honduras), Puerto Limon (Costa Rica), Cartagena (Colombia), Maracaibo (Venezuela), Barbados (British West Indies)

**UNBELIEVABLE VALUE!**

30 Days Christmas & New Year SPECIAL



**ESCORTED DEPARTURE**

4 Star 'Discovery'

*30 Nights - Departs 4 December 2010*

**Cruise from \$4,290pp – Oceanview from \$5,340pp**

**Junior Suite from \$10,529pp**

Air and taxes from approx \$2,900pp

Includes, cruise, all meals and entertainment, onboard gratuities and port charges.

## WANT TO SHARE BULLETIN

### Female

Wants to share on  
Africa, Egypt & Abu Dhabi Tour  
23 Days - All-Inclusive  
28 August 2010  
Ref: DL

### Female, 60s

Wants to share on  
World Cruise  
Dawn Princess ex Sydney  
104 Nights, 25 May 2011  
Ref: BM

### Female, 70s

Wants to share on  
Southern Africa Tour  
20 Days - All-Inclusive  
20 September 2010  
Ref: BM

### Male, 70s

Wants to share on  
Tahitian Treasures Cruise  
Pacific Sun, Fly & Cruise  
May 2010  
Ref: CR

### Female, early 70s

Wants to share on  
World Cruise  
Queen Victoria or Elizabeth  
2011  
Ref: KF

### Female, 60s

Wants to share on  
Kiel to New York Cruise  
MSC Poesia  
September 2010  
Ref: JB

### Female, 60s

Wants to share on  
Italy and Greece Tour  
Cosmos Tour  
July 2010  
Ref: LB

### Male, 70s

Wants to share on  
Cherry Blossom Cruise  
Sun Princess  
March 2011  
Ref: CrCo

### Female

Wants to share on  
European River Cruise  
May 2010  
Ref: CR

### Female, 80s

Wants to share on  
Dubai to Southampton Cruise  
Inside Cabin, Dawn Princess  
14 June 2010  
Ref: TA

### Male, 40s

Wants to share on  
Hawaiian Cruise  
35 Days  
8 April 2010  
Ref: BW

### Female,

Wants to share on  
Around Australia Cruise  
Anytime in 2011  
Ref: BW

### Female, 70s

Wants to share on  
Scenic River Cruise  
Will consider any trip,  
any time  
Ref: JP

### Female, 70s

Wants to share on  
Budapest to Amsterdam Cruise  
APT River Cruise  
12 September 2010  
Ref: BW

### Male, 60s

Wants to share on  
Tahiti & Hawaiian Islands Cruise  
Dawn Princess  
3 April 2010  
Ref: CrCo

### Male, 80s

Wants to share on  
Southampton to Bris Cruise  
Oriana  
22 September 2010  
Ref: CrCo

### Female, 70s

Wants to share on  
South America Cruise  
Discovery  
3 January 2011  
Ref: CrCo

### Female, 60s

Wants to share on  
World Cruise  
Dawn Princess ex Sydney  
104 Nights, 25 May 2011  
Ref: BM

**If you are interested in any of the above listings, or would like to be included in the next bulletin, please contact us.**

All offers are subject to change and some conditions may apply. Please contact us for more information. **Privacy Policy:** Your information will not be passed on to any third parties and will only be used to communicate travel related information. Please contact us if you do not wish to receive information from us,