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Welcome to the Indulgence Issue

To Our Loyal Guests:

I'm always thrilled to have the opportunity to share with you some of the incredibly exciting news taking place at Celebrity Cruises, and once again, we have a lot to share....

As you know, this year marks the launch of our stunning Celebrity Solstice, which your comments have reinforced is the industry's most eagerly awaited ship of 2008. In July, I again visited Meyer Werft shipyard in Papenburg, Germany, and to have seen this extraordinary vessel go from initial plans to design boards to bare steel framework to nearly finished product is exhilarating. And to see it float out on August 10 with hundreds of cheering German residents lined up to watch was truly inspiring.

Now, we're gearing up for Celebrity Solstice's conveyance, when she sails the River Ems to Emshaven, Netherlands, where furnishings will be loaded prior to the transatlantic crossing in October, and arrival in Fort Lauderdale in November. We're looking forward to a momentous inaugural season, and hope you'll be onboard then, or soon after.

Whether you're sailing on Celebrity Solstice or any other ship in our fabulous fleet, we know you enjoy the destinations, so we're introducing a new, regular feature, profiling individual ports of call on our diverse array of itineraries. In this issue, we take a closer look at Cartagena, Colombia, whose interesting blend of colonial architecture, rich history, and beautiful beaches makes it one of the most appealing ports in the Caribbean.

We hope the appeal of all of our itineraries — and certainly, Celebrity's Star Treatment — bring you back onboard again soon. And as always, we thank you for your continued support of Celebrity Cruises.

Sincerely,

Your Captain's Club Membership Summary

Dear Captain's Club Member,

Welcome to the latest issue of Captain's Club News. Inside you'll find exciting details on Celebrity Solstice, including the indulgent shopping experience that awaits.

Once you receive your booking confirmation, visit us at celebritycruises.com to complete your online check in. To ensure you receive your onboard benefits, be sure to add your membership number to your booking no later than 72 hour prior to your sailing date.

Experience Alaska by both land and sea with a Celebrity Cruisetour! Receive a \$200 onboard credit on select 2009 Alaska Itineraries. Please see page 9 for details.

Don't miss your opportunity to enjoy all your Captains' Club member benefits. To view a full list, visit celebritycruises.com/captainsclub.

Thank you for your continued loyalty. Enjoy the newsletter!

Cover Image: Treat yourself or the ones you love with the perfect gift discovered in one of our 18 shops covering nearly 6,000 square feet, all onboard our new Solstice Class of ships.

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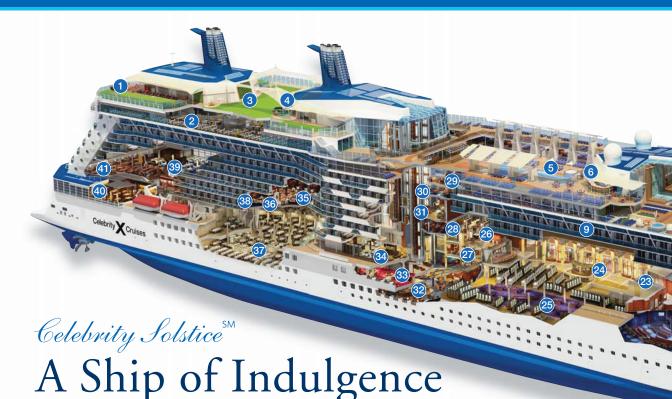
THE SOLSTICE Just one of the many treasures DIAMOND found onboard Celebrity SolsticeSM



To celebrate the launch of Celebrity Solstice, our gemologists have created the ultimate keepsake — the Solstice Diamond. This detailed piece of artistry, a Celebrity Solstice exclusive, is a sparkling testament to the finest craftsmanship while serving as an entrée into a shopping experience that's as refreshing and new as this ship. Come browse through an array of different shops, which draw upon the unique qualities of your itinerary. Within each store you'll find something magical — discoveries that capture the imagination and transport the soul, and yes, like the Solstice Diamond itself, treasures that take your breath away. This is more than a shopping excursion, it's an exploration. Come join us.

The Inside Story Of The Solstice Diamond

Even at first glance, you'll be able to tell that the Solstice Diamond is no ordinary precious gem. Our specially trained gemologists start with conflict-free stones, then meticulously cut 86 facets by hand, far more than the 58 facets you'll find in round-cut diamonds. They also leave an indelible mark on their work, creating a distinctive star pattern in the interior, a continual reminder of how you're the star during your time onboard. You can choose from a number of different sizes, settings, and can have your piece engraved, turning your purchase into something truly personal. Upon completion, it will be delivered to you at home.



Even from above, you can see that Solstice Class holds countless possibilities. We invite you to become a Solstice Insider and be one of the first to see all the amazing venues that will distinguish this class of ships — including The Lawn Club and the Hot Glass ShowSM on the top deck, innovative dining experiences like the Tuscan Grille, and new places to explore come evening, like the expanded Fortunes Casino, the Passport Bar and Ensemble Lounge, as well as some of the most varied shopping options at sea. Join us, and satisfy your own personal sense of indulgence.

From the top

One of the first things you'll notice about Solstice Class is The Lawn Club. Set on the uppermost deck, it's something found on no other class of ship, recreating an air of country club sophistication with an expanse of freshly manicured grass. You're welcome to try one of the putting greens, lawn bowling, or just take in the scene while enjoying the grass between your toes and a signature cocktail in the Sunset Bar or a cup of coffee in the Patio on the Lawn. Continuing with the theme of firsts, we'll also be offering the Hot Glass ShowSM on The Lawn Club, a collaboration with the Corning Museum of Glass in which "gaffers," or glass blowers, put on demonstrations throughout the cruise.

More dining, more dancing, more entertaining

Dining on Solstice Class ships promises to be a rich experience. To complement a luxurious main dining

room, we've added four specialty restaurants. Choose from the Asian-inspired Silk Harvest Restaurant: Tuscan Grille, which offers a contemporary take on the classic Italian steakhouse; Murano, whose cuisine reflects the glass artistry found on the island of the same name; and Blu, an exclusive restaurant for our AquaClasssM guests, serving wholesomely delicious cuisine. Casual dining also plays a starring role, with eateries such as Bistro on Five serving specialties like crepes and salads and Café al Bacio offering treats like freshly made gelato. We've also added nightspots where you can kick up your heels, like Quasar and the Sky Observation Lounge, and places to kick back, like the Martini Bar and Crush, where you'll find tantalizing vodka and caviar pairings. If you're looking to sample the finest wines and spirits, a visit to Cellar Masters and Michael's Club is the ideal experience.

Dozens of other wide-open possibilities

But dining and dancing are just the beginning. Explore the new Fortunes Casino, with more space



and the first player tracking system at sea, or the AquaSpa® by Elemis® and tranquil Solarium. Imagine yourself catching a performance in the expansive Solstice Theatre, or catching a little sunshine on the Pool Deck. No matter what you love to do, you'll find more of it on Solstice Class.

Ashopper's paradise

With 18 stores, you'll find everything from that elegant watch you've always wanted to a timeless collectible. Bring home something special to remember your trip or something special for someone you love. We've not only created more retail possibilities, we're pleased to introduce you to an entirely new approach to shopping.

Turn the page to see just how much fun cruise shopping can be.

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- **Pool Bar**
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- Shops on the Boulevard & Galleria Boutiques
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- Martini Bar & Crush
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Above: Afternoon sunshine illuminates the extensive Shops on the Boulevard; The Lawn Club Shop on the new Solstice Class of ships.

18 Stores Spread Over 6,000 Square Feet — Welcome to a Redefined Shopping Experience

A shopper's paradise

Serendipity. An ever-evolving, evocative experience inspired by the destinations on each itinerary. As you browse, accompanied by a scented ambiance reminiscent of different ports, you'll find an eclectic assortment of collectibles, crafts, and Celebrity logowear.

Sound Waves. Satisfy your passion for the latest electronic gadgetry and accessories.

Sundialer. Whether you're looking for a distinctive timepiece, sunglasses that change the way the world looks at you, or the hottest must-have accessory, come browse through a store where the latest designs are always in fashion.

Spirits & Such. Those who treasure life's finest pleasures will find themselves instantly at home here. Sample from a wide range of spirits and liqueurs before making your duty-free purchase, or peruse the glass humidor where some of the world's finest cigars are on display.

Glitz. Dressing up has never created this much excitement! Accessorize your favorite outfits with costume jewelry created by both established and up and coming designers from Europe, Asia, and the Americas. Buy a piece from a favorite artist, or be the first to discover an entirely new creation.

Travel Made Easy. Even the most experienced traveler forgets something once in a while. From basic sundries to special items, you'll find everything you need, all in one place.

The Solstice Shop. Take home a memento that will allow the pleasures of your Solstice Class cruise to endure long after the last spectacular sunset has faded. A range of logo items will serve as a constant reminder of all the unforgettable moments you had onboard.

Pieces of Time. For those who wear a watch to make a statement as much as to tell time, the finest chronographs await. Whether your tastes run toward the classically elegant or the most modern designs, you'll be able to choose from the world's top brands.

Moda. From the little black cocktail dress to the biggest names in fashion, this boutique brings style to life. A wide-open layout allows you to easily browse from collection to collection at your leisure, lingering to admire a favorite or two.

The Men's Shop. Finally, a place dedicated to men and how they prefer to shop. Just like the fine clothing that you'll find within, the atmosphere projects a completely relaxed and totally comfortable feel that fits perfectly from the moment you arrive.

The Showcase. The Showcase will exhibit glass works from around the world, including those from Steuben Glass and Riedel Crystal®.

Jasmine. Enter a haven where an endless array of carefully chosen products puts the focus entirely on you. This collection skin care products and cosmetics will have you returning again and again to indulge your sense of self.

Adagio. Immerse yourself in a fragrant environment that will carry you away. All your favorite perfumes are here, as well as some new ones that you can be among the first to experience.

Artisan Studio. On select sailings we'll host a number of visiting artists in residence, each of whom will display both their creations and their creative talents. Taking home a one-of-a-kind piece from an artist whose techniques you've observed promises to make it even more special.

Boutique C. Browse through a collection of life's essential luxuries in a space that borrows its sophisticated air from the world finest and most exclusive giftware and jewelry, including the Solstice Diamond.

The Collection. Dive into a vast selection of contemporary handbags and accessories from some of the world's most sought-after designers.

Exquisites. In a setting as spectacular as Solstice Class, it's only natural that you'd find a treasure trove of beautiful gemstones. We've brought in collections from an everchanging roster of distinguished designers, each piece ready to catch your eye.

The Lawn Club Shop. As you ease into the elegance of the first expanse of manicured grass at sea, we'll help you capture the mood with a wide range of casual and contemporary clothing, gifts, souvenirs, hats, footwear, bags, and accessories.

To learn more about the retail experience onboard our newest ships, visit celebritysolstice.com.

AquaClasssm

— Our Newest Class of Staterooms, Only on Solstice Class

We've placed 130 luxurious double-occupancy staterooms in the most desirable location of our Solstice Class ships, each designed around your physical and spiritual well-being. For those who relish the comforts of the voyage as much as the destination, the five elements of AquaClass will please you in innumerable ways.



Renew. Escape to sweet dreams

A turned down bed, adorned with European-style bedding and a pillow that you've chosen from an extensive pillow menu greets you. Then, allow the Conscious Dream Enhancer channel to guide you into a state of calm that improves both your sleeping and waking hours.



Replenish. Nourishing the soul

Start the day with a nourishing continental breakfast at Blu, or choose from an equally wholesome room-service menu, complemented by daily deliveries of infused ice teas or bottled water. Prior to dinner in Blu, where you enjoy priority seating, a steward will deliver a selection of canapés to your stateroom.



Refresh. Bliss for the body

Upon arrival you'll receive a welcome packet that includes a teeth-whitening sample, slippers, and a spa kit filled with amenities. Within your stateroom's spacious bathroom you'll find an invigorating Hansgrohe® shower tower, plus oversized bath and face towels and plush robes and slippers. Then customize your environment, with light dimmers, ambient sounds, and aromatic infusions.



Restore. Let your spirit soar

Exclusive in-room programming features hypnotherapy and music therapy to help promote learning, concentration, and relaxation. To expand your horizons, we've also assembled a collection of wellness-related reading material in our library.



${\mathscr R}$ evive. Achieve your personal best

AquaClass staterooms are located conveniently adjacent to the AquaSpa® by Elemis®, and guests are welcome to enjoy complimentary use of the Persian Garden and Relaxation Room. A spa concierge is also available to book treatments or help you find literature in our wellness library.



Above: A delicious citrus dessert served in the specialty restaurant Blu, onboard the new Celebrity Solstice Class.



Above: Plaza Santa Teresa, Cartagena, Colombia, South America.

Discovering Cartagena, Colombia

Cartagena (Carta-HAY-na), Colombia, once caught the eye of Spanish adventurers in search of gold. Now, this sparkling city on the Caribbean has entered a new golden age, one yielding not precious metals but indelible memories. The Old City, including the historic fort and network of stone-fortified walls, has been designated as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Stroll along the cobblestone streets, listening to the guitar players who perform for anyone who will listen or the strains of salsa that spill out from lively cantinas. Or sample the fruit sold by local women, known as *palenqueras*, who delicately balance their baskets overhead. This is Cartagena today — a warm welcome that invites you to take part in a vibrant present while telling tales of its storied past.

Thistorical treasure trove

The first Spanish visitors to what is now Cartagena arrived in the early 16th century. They came in search of riches and gold, while visitors today are enticed by the grace and warmth of this city. Within these walls, which after 400 years remain almost entirely intact, you can walk amongst colonial-style buildings painted in exotic hues. You can hail a horse-drawn carriage and allow the driver to guide you through the old alleyways as he tells the story of the various buildings. Or you can sit serenely in one of the many the plazas, listening to the easy interplay between homegrown vallenato music and the modern vibe that emanates from the discos where some of South America's wealthiest citizens come to play.

Something for every interest

One of the most enjoyable ways to see Cartagena is from atop the city walls. As you stroll along, gaze out toward the sapphire waters of the Caribbean, or listen to the sounds of the city rising from the winding cobblestone streets. For those in search of real treasure, the Gold Museum is filled with precious artifacts that eluded Spanish fortune hunters, while within the Museo de Arte Moderno, some of Colombia's best-known modern artists showcase their work. Outside of the Old City lies Castillo de San Felipe — an imposing set of fortifications that took a century to build. You can take in the city from the height of this magnificent fortress, or descend into the vast honeycombed network of

tunnels that lie beneath. And of course there is Las Bóvedas, a one-time prison whose 23 dungeons now serve as shops where local artists proudly display their work.

Cartagena, Colombia, embraces visitors with its warmth and



Above: Balancing a bountiful fruit basket on her head, a palenquera offers salads and juices for sale.

diverse beauty. And if you're like most, you'll want to visit again and again. This destination is just one of the many to which we travel!

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A SAMPLE OF CELEBRITY SAILINGS TO CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA

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Eastbound Panama Canal cruise, Winter 2009
Westbound Panama Canal cruise, Winter & Spring 2009

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14 Night Celebrity Infinity
Eastbound Panama Canal cruise, Spring & Fall 2009 & 2010
Westbound Panama Canal cruise, Fall 2009

14 Night Celebrity Constellation Eastbound Panama Canal cruise, Winter 2009 & 2010

15 Night Celebrity Infinity
Westbound Panama Canal cruise, Spring 2009 & 2010



Above: Castillo de San Felipe de Barajas Cartagena, Colombia.

Formal nights add a touch of elegance

For as long as travelers have taken to the seas, the elegance of formal dining has always stood apart as one of the most romantic aspects of cruising. We share your love of this time-honored tradition, which is why each sailing offers up to three formal nights, depending on the length of the itinerary. But even on those nights not designated as formal, we've created a dress guideline that remains true to the spirit of formal elegance, with "Smart Casual and Above" dress replacing all informal dress in our main and specialty dining rooms. It's all part of the casual sophistication that allows you to feel like the star on your Celebrity cruise.

Attire

Smart Casual and Above

Ladies: Skirt or pants complemented by sweater or blouse. Gentlemen: Pants (no holes, rips, or tears) with sports shirt or sweater. Shirt must have sleeves.

Formal Wear

Ladies: Cocktail dress, gown, or dressy pantsuit. Gentlemen: Tuxedo, suit, or dinner jacket with slacks. Tuxedo rentals are available onboard. Call 800-551-5091 for more information.



Above: Dressed for an evening to remember. Celebrity Cruises brings back the traditions of the bygone era of cruising. Offering up to three formal nights, depending on the length of your cruise.



Experience Alaska through the eyes of a local

The Alaskan experience is so vast and varied that there is no one single way of seeing it that even begins to do it justice. Our 26 cruisetours through this great land — 21 in Alaska and five more that combine a land-based journey in the Canadian Rockies with an Alaskan cruise — create a series of up-close encounters with one of the world's most pristine places. To learn more about what one of these comprehensive journeys entails, listen to the words of a long-time Alaskan resident whose love of Alaska is exceeded only by his desire to share it guests.

Name: Fred Colvin

Years Living in Alaska: 32

Years as Celebrity Cruisetour Director: 7

Current Home: Kasilof, Alaska

Other Pastimes: Reading, writing, and drawing I also make some of the best peanut butter fudge, a claim that will be happily verified by all my former guests.

While I wasn't born in Alaska, I have spent all my working life here. So after many years in the classroom teaching elementary school in the North Country, I wasn't ready to stop working, and I certainly had no desire to stop teaching. Becoming a Tour Director for Celebrity Cruises in Alaska was a natural fit for me. I've been doing this for seven years, and while every day is carefully planned, no day in Alaska can be described as typical. One of the things I love so much about Alaska is that even after more than three decades her capacity to amaze me is virtually limitless.

What I enjoy most about this job is introducing guests to my Alaska. The look of wonder in someone's eyes when they see a grizzly bear for the first time, or watch the day's last light catch Denali, is priceless. Also, because I spent a number of years teaching in some pretty remote villages, as did my wife and daughter, it helps me add a real insider's perspective to everything we're seeing, an extra dimension guests appreciate. I also enjoy watching

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the look of contentment as we travel by luxury train. Guests are so comfortable and as the scenery rolls by — each mile more interesting than the last — you can see them mentally recording every image. The other thing I really like is helping guests get the most from the experience. I love getting to know people and being able to recommend just the right land excursion at each destination for them, helping them make the late-night transition from the airport to their hotel as smooth as possible, or just resolving the little things that pop up during the course of a trip.

People always ask me how to prepare for an Alaskan cruisetour. The first thing to make sure is that you choose one that's as long as possible. Time seems to fly by out here, and I've never heard someone say that a cruisetour was too long. The rest is pretty simple. Just make sure you dress in layers. And prepare to be wowed. Because that's what Alaska does best.

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Above: Enjoying the view onboard the luxurious glass-domed Wilderness Express.

Highlight the Artist series makes you part of the art

Thanks to a new Celebrity Cruises® enrichment program - Highlight the Artist - guests will not just see the world, they'll have the opportunity to explore the world of art. We've worked closely with long-time partner Park West, an auctioneer and private gallery that has changed the way over 1.2 million people interact with art, and have invited several of their more innovative artists, such as Simon Bull, David Willardson, and Fanch Ledan, to join us onboard select sailings and bring you inside their world. These artists will talk about their inspirations and how they interpret color, light, and texture, and showcase some of their most recent works. Best of all, you'll have the opportunity to watch as they put their talents on display in public venues, such as the main dining room, and ask questions as they work. Young or old, art avid collector or casual enthusiast, these enlightening events are certain to add an entirely new dimension to your appreciation of art. Highlight the Artist, is just one more way Park West and Celebrity Cruises work to make art more accessible and more enjoyable for you.



Above: Simon Bull puts on a show during an Highlight the Artist cruise.

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Celebrity Solstice[™] Fall Preview captivates imaginations

On July 8, launch of Solstice Class came closer to reality, as over 100 of your fellow Captain's Club members, journalists, travel agents, and Cruise Critic contributors attended the Celebrity Solstice Fall Preview at our Miami headquarters.

Guests tried their hand at lawn bowling at a scaled down version of The Lawn Club, and enjoyed a taste of Eureka, the signature Lawn Club cocktail. We also offered a glimpse of the Solstice Class dining experience, with sample menus and table settings for many of the new restaurants, like the Asian-inspired Silk Harvest and Tuscan Grille, in addition to gelato tastings from Café al Bacio and crepes from Bistro on Five.

Solstice Class' nightlife was on display, including Cellar Masters, our new wine-tasting room, which features an Enomatic wine dispenser. Wine will be a central theme on Solstice Class voyages, with new wine-enrichment seminars and themed collections for many restaurants. Solstice Class' extensive retail offerings were also on display, with sample merchandise exhibited, including a replica of the Solstice Diamond.

And finally, we highlighted our newly designed accommodations, including AquaClassSM, a new class of stateroom exclusive to Solstice Class. It also drew attention to some of our spa offerings, such as demonstrations of the new men's barber offerings. All in all, the Fall Preview was a highly entertaining event that only raised the anticipation of the coming launch of Celebrity SolsticeSM.

For those not able to attend, the details of Solstice Class continue to unfold at celebrity solstice.com.

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