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About Us

Go Bucket List Travel LLC

Go Bucket List Travel LLC is a fullservice travel agency located near Richmond, Virginia. We specialize in designing exceptional international vacations, honeymoons and destinations weddings.

Go Bucket List Travel LLC is accredited by the International

April 2017 Bucket Insider -Focus on Hawaii

Is Hawaii on your "Bucket List?"

In February we spent two weeks on Oahu and Hawai'i inspecting properties from stylish and tourist grade hotels, full-service resorts, condominium properties to comfortable budget hotels, meeting with hospitality and tour managers and asking many locals to recommend their favorite restaurants.

Our valuable personal insights and recommendations will insure that you can enjoy the abundant beauty of the Hawaiian Islands and make the most of your visit to the islands without breaking your budget.

Please give us a call at 804-557-3006.

Let's discuss your next Bucket List vacation.

Smiles,

Nancy and Tony Cassano

The Bucket List Concierge Team™

New Kent Winery 2018 River Cruise

Attention procrastinators! Our \$1,000 per person early booking bonus has been extended through April 2017.

Our June 2018 Bordeaux river cruise, co-hosted with Joe and JoAnna Dombroski, owners of the New Kent Winery, is filling up quickly. We have four cabins left. Our cruise will begin on June 21, 2018 as we send a week exploring the famous Bordeaux wine region.

We also have custom pre and post cruise packages available to tailor your visit to France or elsewhere in Europe. Airlines Travel Agent Network and Cruise Line International Association and is a member of the American Society of Travel Agents. We are also certified by the State Corporation Commission to sell travel insurance to our clients.

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Weekly Cruise Deals

Towards the end of each week we receive lists of cruises from Celebrity, Royal Caribbean, Windstar, Princess and others that will be placed on deep discount for several days, usually through the following Wednesday.

We invite you to check out our cruise specials pages and give us a call at 804-557-3006 to hold your stateroom at the reduced rates. Staterooms are always subject to availability, so please do not delay.

All-American Muscle Car Celebration

Mark your calendars, car lovers. The All-American Muscle Car Celebration is coming to the New Kent Winery, April 22, 2017, sponsored by the Rotary Club of New Kent.

We will be there among the classic and contemporary muscle cars, customs, sports cars, motorcycles and a few surprises. Visit the website: musclecarcelebration.com for advanced tickets and information.

Hawaii... We can arrange for you.....

Every Island

- Catamaran dinner cruises and snorkel tours
- Whale watching between the middle of December and the middle of April.
- Paddle sports and kayaks, maybe the best vantage points for observing sealife.
- Helicopter Tours. Probably the best way to see the Hawaiian Islands is from the air.
- Luaus. Especially popular at sunset. Enjoy a meal then relax under the stars while you listen to live music and watch skilled performances of the hula and dances.

Kauai

- Manawaiopuna Falls, the backdrop for "Jurassic Park." Land by helicopter at the base of the waterfalls and hike along a jungle path. Beware of raptors!
- Zipline Heaven. Imagine a monster 1,800 foot line, over forest canopy, waterfalls and the Kipu Ranch where "Jurassic Park" and "Raiders of the Lost Ark" were filmed.
- Backcountry Inner Tube Tour. Yes, you can float down through old sugar cane plantations along canals, flumes and tunnels built during the 1800's.

Maui

- Molokini Crater and Turtle Town are top draws for snorkelers. Turtle Town is a coral reef known for its Hawaiian green sea turtle population.
- Surf Lessons. Hang Ten, Dudes, with lessons where surfing was born.

The Big Island

- Hamakua Heritage Corridor. Perfect self-drive adventure from Hilo along the north coast to the Waipo Valley Lookout. Stop for lunch at Gramma's Kitchen in Honokaa.
- Kilauea Lava Hike. If you're up for it, this six-mile escorted hike will take you over rugged lava fields. A ten-mile hike will take you to the current Kilauea volcano lava flows.
- Lava Tubes. A top draw at the Kilauea Volcano National Park.
- Gypsea Gelato in Kealakekua. Come hungry.
- Manta Ray Evening Snorkel/Dive. Most evenings the manta rays come up to the surface south of Kona where you can see these magnificent creatures up close.
- Hot malasadas and roasted sweet corn. A local favorite.
- Mauna Kei Observatories. The best time to visit the Onizuka Center for International Astronomy Visitor Information Station on Mauna Kei is an hour either side of sunset. Weather permitting you'll be in for a treat as the sunset gives way to the stars above.

Oahu

- Dolphin Encounters.
- Aulani, a Disney Resort & Spa in Ko Olina on the Oahu west shore, has full-time Hawaii cultural experts on staff to ensure that guests leave with a strong appreciation of local Hawaiian culture.
- Fireworks. Every night around 9pm the Hilton Hawaiian Village celebrates with an impressive ten-minute fireworks display on the beach.
- Arizona Memorial. The most popular destination on Oahu. Be sure you arrange for tickets early [we can take care of this for you].

Top Deals of the Month

• \$2,000 per stateroom early booking bonus on our 2018 Bordeaux river cruise, dbl occ.

- September Rhine River Cruise. Departs Amsterdam on September 22, 2017 for a week on the Rhine River south to Basel, Switzerland. We're holding five staterooms at exceptional prices. We can also add a weekend in Munich for the Oktoberfest.
- Italy Villas. We have very competitive prices on the best Italian villas.
- Alaska. Still deals to be found for the 2017 season
- Fall 2017 Caribbean cruises. After the kids go back to school the prices drop.

Spotlight on Getting Around Venice, Italy

We love Venice. It is as close as you can come to a living movie set.

The first point to remember is that Venice is a collection of islands. You basically walk from point to point along canals and over small bridges or you hop a water bus – Vaporetto – up or down the Grande Canal.

The #1 vaporetto line runs from the main train station down to Saint Mark's Square. You'll need to budget an hour for the trip as the water bus will make many stops along the way.

We recommend a vaporetto pass for as many days as you will be visiting Venice. It's cheaper than buying oneoff trip passes.

Cruising the Grande Canal in the early morning is a special treat. You'll see commercial boats of every fashion from garbage haulers to wine boats to dry goods boats making deliveries as the city gets ready for the new day.

Fundraising News

Congratulations to the **Williamsburg Symphony** and **Housing Families First**. They each successfully featured Go Bucket List Travel italian villas in recent fundraisers.

Cruise industry News

Celebrity Cruises. 2,900 Passenger *Celebrity Edge* debuting in December 2018 at its homeport of Fort Lauderdale. The veranda cabins will be 226 sq ft even without the balcony space, compared with an industry average of 177 sq ft.

Windstar. New Asia itineraries for its 2018 season.

Oceania. We are already booking 6 to 13 day Cuba sailings on Oceania for 2018 on the 684-passenger *Sirena* departing out of Miami.

Crystal. Launching its new river cruise vessels, *Crystal Bach* and *Crystal Mahler* in August and September of this year, bringing its river fleet up to five vessels.

Royal Caribbean. *Symphony of the Seas*, the newest Oasis Class ship, will debut in Europe in 2018 and sail to Miami in November for Caribbean cruises.

Carnival. *Carnival Horizon*, the second in the *Vista* class, will debut with four Mediterranean sailings from Barcelona in 2018 and will move on to New York for summer Bermuda and Caribbean runs before settling in Miami in September for year-round Caribbean cruising.

Holland America. New partnership with *O, The Oprah Magazine* to offer exclusive programs such as meditation, tai chi, healthy cooking demonstrations and an onboard book club.

Tauck. Expanded its relationship with Ponant to offer voyages on four new cruise yachts beginning in 2018.

Our Service Pledge

Best Deals. With our booking volume and memberships in various consortiums and associations in the luxury travel market we have access to exclusive deals and perks you will not find on the Internet

Inspirational Ideas. It's hard to overstate the importance of talking to an expert. We give you the unbiased, knowledgeable approach to planning your vacation with informed suggestions based on our extensive travels, first-hand experiences and contacts.

Concierge Service. Every vacation is designed around your personal, precise needs and budget. Once you are off on your vacation we are only a call, email or text away to handle itinerary changes, last minute reservations and more.

Personalized Documentation. For the independent traveler, our "Bucket Bible" documents each day's activities with detailed schedules and helpful information.

Protection. We will protect your vacation investment with the best value travel insurance policy for your preexisting conditions plus family and professional circumstances.

April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to our Travel Guests celebrating birthdays this month:

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