

Too Bad You Can't Pack Paradise and Bring It Back Home

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Imagine the both of you—just two kids in love—sipping flutes of champagne on your luxurious suite's private veranda as you sail by Manhattan's heart-stopping skyline and the Statue of Liberty on a lap-of-luxury liner heading out on the high seas to Bermuda. Once there, you'll play on gosh darn pretty pink-sand beaches, swim in sparkling turquoise waters off cozy coves (read picnic-perfect), stroll hand-in-hand through Chinese moon gates (which according to legend, will get you lovebirds blessed with happiness into infinity) and ride scooters along windy roads dressed up in tropical blossoms and homey cottages washed in lemon yellows, baby blues and pistachio greens. Bottom line? The two of you will have stepped onto a floating resort of fun and sun from dawn to midnight on your way to paradise.

Only a handful of cruise lines sail to Bermuda nowadays, but the Radisson Seven Seas Navigator (www.rccs.com) is the *crème de la crème* among them—offering all-suite, all-ocean-view accommodations accessorized with every convenience at hand (bathroom amenities are from Aveda, comfy beds are dressed in crispy white linens that beg snuggling and napping, mini-bars are complementarily stocked with your favorite beverages), the world's best food and more beck-and-call service than you could ever imagine. To put it simply, they'll spoil you rotten. No maddening crowds to deal with either, as this ship sails with less than 500 passengers. Feeling lazy? Summon your please-take-care-of-me butler to unpack your trousseau or to arrange a pre-dinner massage for two at the *très français* Carita Spa. This all-inclusive ship includes gratuities, too—and there are no extra costs for soft drinks, cappuccino, espresso or even wine and dirty martinis at dinnertime.

Spend your days at sea in all angles of repose doing nothing but chillin' and cooing—or partake in activities galore. Sunbath by the pool where friendly servers deliver free frosty drinks, but take occasional canoodling dips in a hot tub. Sign up for an afternoon of spa treats, but take a step class inside the fitness center first. Grab an afternoon snooze, but not before enjoying high tea in the Navigator Lounge (oh, the chocolate mousse and just-whipped cream!). Whoop it up playing big-bucks bingo with your fellow passengers or shop for duty-free baubles in the ship's boutiques. Learn how to play bridge from a Master Bridge instructor or practice golf swings in one of two driving cages. Linger through sunset, green apple martini in hand, in Galileo's. See a Broadway revue like you can't imagine, take a gamble in the casino—then disco-dance the night away amid a swell crowd in a cool room.

Eat till the cows come home because you don't have to worry anymore about fitting into your gown. Have yummy breakfasts in bed or al fresco on the Portofino Grill's aft deck ogling a flock of sea gulls playfully dodging wisps of cushy clouds. Enjoy lunch poolside (wait'll you see the elaborate "Fresh Fish al Fresco") or in the more formal Compass Rose. Have a romantic moonlight dinner for two practically anywhere you want. Order a sweet snack (or maybe a juicy burger and fries) at midnight—or any time of day, for that matter.

Once in Bermuda, you'll harbor-hop on the Navigator from Hamilton to St. George's for the next three days. In St. George's, you'll explore a maze of quaint narrow streets with names like Featherbed Alley and Old Maid's Lane—and in Hamilton, Bermuda's seaside capital, the two of you can check out plenty of sightseeing attractions—most of which are easy to see on foot. Head for the Royal Navy Dockyards' Watersports Centre

to parasail in a chair built for two and stunning bird's eye views for as far as the eye can see or sign up with Dolphin Quest for a half-hour swim with dolphins. Deftly dive any one of hundreds of shipwrecks in relatively shallow waters or a barrier reef that encircles the island. Cinephiles can head over to Somerset Village, which looks much like it did in 1962, when the town was featured in *A Touch of Mink*, starring Cary Grant and Doris Day. Trekkers can scale 200 steps to the top of an historical lighthouse—and since Bermuda has the most golf courses per square mile of any other place on earth—consider teeing off if you don't mind the ocean views driving you to distraction.

Radisson Seven Seas offers special packages that include pre-cruise hotel stays in New York City (choose from the likes of the Waldorf Astoria, the Plaza or the Essex House) for two nights, tickets to a Broadway show and more.

All in all, a sail-away honeymoon with Radisson Seven Seas is like three to-die-for honeymoons in one where you never have to lift a finger!

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