



debra's top pick 2011 destinations

Planning your next vacation or weekend getaway is the ultimate climax to the start of a great new year! The goal for some is rest and relaxation, while thrill and adventure is what others have in mind. The common goal for all of us is a time to journey away from our everyday responsibilities and have fun!

I will share a few of my favorite destination spots that you can enjoy while saving a few dollars. Most definitely Top Picks for planning your next vacation.

Life is good on Carnival's Dream Ship. The new 130,000-ton ship is quite the dream. With the biggest movie screen I have ever seen (12' X 22' jumbo-sized LED screen) and easy to hear sound system that you can enjoy while lounging at the pool, to the Serenity Adult-Only retreat with two hot tubs to kick back and relax with a glass of wine – this is pure relaxation at its best.



After a day of island hopping and exploring, you return back to the ship and delectable dining awaits your arrival. The highlight was not only the delicious food, but the super-friendly and entertaining wait staff led by Emiliano for our nightly table. We were treated like royalty with a different selection nightly. Carnival Cruise Line most definitely offers the best value for the money. Book your cruise early and you will get the best prices as well as cabin upgrades. www.carnival.com



BUENA VISTA PALACE - FLORIDA'S HIDDEN TREASURE

With sunny weather, miles of beaches and Disney World, Florida is one of my favorite yearly destinations. Florida's hidden treasure is Buena Vista Palace Hotel and Spa adjacent to the Downtown Disney area. The recent renovation totally transformed the award-winning hotel into a chic, sophisticated resort. Enjoying



Walt Disney World Theme Parks (Park transportation is provided) and returning to a relaxing massage in the spa is my perfect vacation. Definitely one of my favorites and it will be yours too when you visit, I promise. www.buenvistapalace.com

VIVA LAS VEGAS – PLANET HOLLYWOOD IS THE TICKET

Looking for a little fun and adventure? Vegas is the ticket. Each year I meet up with my West Coast Girls and hit Vegas for Miss America and so much fun. Planet Hollywood is centrally located amidst the most popular hotels in Vegas. This makes it easy to visit many other hotels within minutes. Each room is decorated in a separate movie theme. As you are strolling through the casino, keep your eyes open because you may run into many celebrities. An extra bonus is the Miracle Mile Mall that is connected to PH featuring more than 140 stores and 15 restaurants. Definitely the best location and price in Vegas – and play your cards right and it could be on the house if it is your lucky day. www.planethollywoodResort.com

Happy Travels,

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