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CRUISE UPDATE

Aesthetic Surgery Biennial Cruise

In an effort to keep you updated on important date deadlines and other information, I will be sending regular updates up until our trip.

PREFERRED TRAVEL PARTNERS

Starting this year, The Aesthetic Society is excited to announce new Strategic Travel Partners. We strongly encourage that you take advantage of them, as increased member participation will not only deliver higher benefits to The Society but will also increase the level of discount that will be available to all members in the future. Current discounts vary by class of service and fare. Both United and Delta loyalty program members will continue to earn their miles and status when using the discount codes.

Additionally, The Society is in the process of lining up hotel partners for pre and post cruise stays in Barcelona, Spain and Athens, Greece at discounted room rates. More information to be provided and will be published on the online [Registration Home Page site](#), to go live by October 15.

EXCURSIONS – Available to reserve now

Attached is the list of Oceania excursions that you will be able to reserve now. Also attached are the instructions for reserving them. Oceania is no longer offering a package for unlimited excursions. Oceania will now allow you to use the \$600 per stateroom or suite shipboard credit for advance purchases the option should appear on the payment screen in your shopping cart.

FLIGHTS – What to look for:

We suggest to arrive one or two days early and enjoy Barcelona. The airport El Prat Airport (BCN) is about 30 Minutes from the city of Barcelona. The ship will board in Barcelona. The returning airport in Athens is Athens International Airport (ATH). This is located about 45 minutes from the cruise port in Piraeus. We suggest flights departing on July 23rd after 1 PM. The Aesthetic Society is working with United Airlines along with the Star Alliance partners to offer a discount code for flights.

UPDATE – EUROPEAN VISAS

The plan that was going to go into effect in the year 2024 is now probably being delayed to 2025, citizens from many countries including the United States of America, Canada and Australia will be required to complete an ETIAS application prior to boarding an aircraft, sea carrier, or coach vehicle for Europe, and this includes travelers who will only be transiting in Europe en route to other destinations. More detailed information will follow in future updates.

PASSPORTS

It is the sole responsibility of each guest to obtain and have available appropriate valid travel and health documents. Any guest traveling without proper documentation will not be allowed to board the vessel and no refund of cruise fare or any other travel components purchased from Oceania Cruises will be issued.

URGENT! Please make sure that your passports are valid at least 6 months beyond your scheduled return date. Expiration date, no sooner than late January 31, 2025.

Due to airline security measures, your passport name must match your airline ticket name or you may be denied boarding. Cruise Brothers and Oceania Cruises accept no responsibility for obtaining required visas or for advising guests of visa or other immigration requirements beyond the guidelines indicated

FUTURE UPDATES WILL INCLUDE:

1. The Society's Online Program Home Page
2. Hotel options and benefits of using Partner Airlines
3. Transfer (ground transportation) options

If you have any questions please contact me. We will maintain a FAQ list with answers on the meeting website at <https://meetings.theaestheticsociety.org/cruise/index.php> so your question(s) may appear for others to reference in the future.

Here are the payment terms on this sailing:

Deposit Payment Schedule

Time of Reservation 50% Deposit of Purchase Price

February 10, 2024 Payment Due in Full for all staterooms and suites

Cancellation and Penalty Policy Cruise Line

From March 4, 2024 through April 11, 2024 \$250 administrative fee per person

April 12, 2024 – April 25, 2024 25% of fare per person

April 26, 2024 – May 11, 2024 75% of fare per person

May 10, 2024 or later No refunds

Penthouse Suites and above

10% penalty if cancelled March 4, 2024 – April 11, 2024

Travel Agency Cancellation Policy Cruise Brothers' cancellation fee is \$100 per stateroom/ suite which can be applied to a future cruise if booked within 12 months of the cancellation

Cancellations must be submitted in writing. The date Cruise Brothers receives notification will be considered the cancellation date. Changes are at the cruise lines' discretion and cost will be determined based on such change.

Trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended.

Please note – In order to be covered for any pre-existing conditions, insurance must be purchased by final payment.

A rate quote will be on your invoice. If you do NOT want to purchase the Trip Insurance, or if you do not want to purchase it with your final payment, please let us know. *(This is only available to passengers living in the United States) Rates are subject to change until time of purchase.*

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