

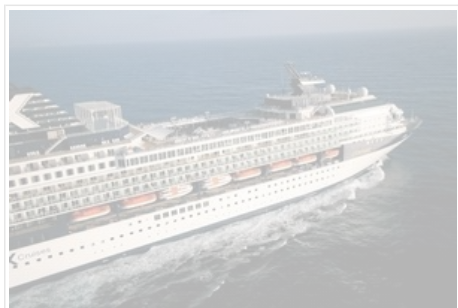
Celebrity Century

Cruise Line: Celebrity Cruises
Toll-free: 800-647-2251

Passengers: 1,814
Tonnage: 71,545
Crew: 858

Year Built: 1995
Year Refurbished: 2006
Decks: 10
Registry: Malta

Web: <http://www.celebritycruises.com>



German-built in 1995, this cruise ship from Celebrity is a 71,545-ton, 815-ft vessel cruising at 21.5 knots. She has 10 passenger decks and carries 1,814 passengers at double occupancy, along with European officers and an international crew of 858.

In 2006, she received a US\$55 million makeover that added many more balcony cabins, renewed the soft furnishings and generally brought this class, which once included the now-transferred Galaxy and Mercury, more in line with the much larger fleet-mates in the Millennium class. However, the Century wins hands-down in exterior looks.

Celebrity was created as a separate upscale brand of Chandris Cruises in the late 1980s, and the big "X" on the funnel is a legacy of the Greek letter Chi, the equivalent of "C" in English for the Chandris family. Chandris ran into financial difficulties after building the first of a new fleet of quality ships, and Royal Caribbean took on the line. While it first maintained

significant distinctions from RCI, the brand now offers a high standard of food, service and onboard atmosphere at a very affordable price. Celebrity has been added as a prefix to the entire fleet.

All age groups are attracted over the course of a year, with a younger crowd, including families, flocking to the shorter Alaska itineraries and a more mature clientele in Australia and New Zealand. Although the passenger list is largely North American, Australian and New Zealanders will be aboard the Down Under itineraries in substantial numbers. Children are well catered to, and the activities fall into four age groups. During the most recent refit, a teenage X-Treme area was carved out of former cabin space to match the Kid's Fun Factory for younger children.

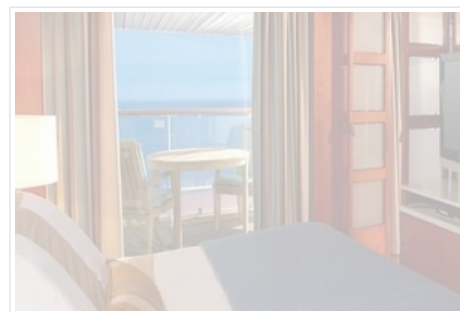
A 10% gratuity is added to spa treatments, while bar tabs rate 15%, and the daily suggested tipping rate for the cabin and wait staff is about US\$10 per day. One can tip individually the old-fashioned way or have all tips put on the final bill.

Century's summer itineraries focus on Alaska and the Inside Passage: 7-night cruises depart from Vancouver for Icy Strait point, Hubbard Glacier, Juneau and Ketchikan. Then for the fall, the ship sails from San Diego/Ensenada for the Hawaiian Islands and on out to Australia and New Zealand for the northern winter. Cruises lasting 12 nights embark in Sydney and Auckland and focus on New Zealand's North and South Islands. In early January 2012, the ship is making a clockwise circumnavigation of Australia with a call at Bali.

Celebrity has a long partnership with The Wedding Experience through which it has offered onboard vow renewals at sea and in-port wedding ceremonies. Now that seven of the eight Celebrity ships, and the two Azamara ships, have been re-registered to Malta, the captains have the jurisdiction to perform legal marriages at sea while the cruises are under way.

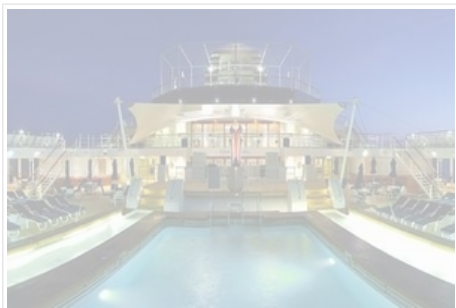
The ship is tastefully decorated in all public areas (keeping in mind that the casino is, of course, a sea of gaming tables and slot machines). A contemporary art collection including sculpture and paintings, some by Andy Warhol, are seen throughout the ship. The triple-height Grand Foyer with encircling staircases is topped by a painted glass dome that is lit as if by the sun during the day and by the stars at night.

As with her fleet-mates, the Century features the Cova Cafe, a gathering spot off the foyer's second level that recalls the Cafe di Milano next to La Scala opera house in Milan, Italy. While there are charges, the espresso is the real thing and can be enjoyed with pastries and freshly baked croissants. In other intimate settings, Michael's Club is a baby-grand-piano lounge serving before- and after-dinner drinks. Opposite is the Martini Bar, with 20 options and now a popular watering hole on numerous cruise ships.



Long-range viewing during the day and dancing at night take place in the partitioned Hemisphere Lounge overlooking the bow on the highest public-room deck. The 1,000-seat Century Theater puts on Las Vegas-style shows. For traditional two-sitting dining, the appropriately named two-level Grand Dining Room is accessed by an arcing staircase, where the view aft is of floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking the wake. Breakfast and lunch are open seating. All meals, including a pleasant and casual dinner, can be enjoyed in Islands, the Lido Cafe. Four buffet service lines and some free-standing serving stations help alleviate the queues except at peak hours. The sushi bar is a very popular destination.

For an upscale dining experience in line with the Millennium class but without the strong decorative themes, Murano Restaurant provides a top menu for an extra charge, including tableside cooking, carving and flambee beneath stylish Murano glass fixtures. However, Celebrity pays considerable attention to its food services, and passengers eat very well everywhere as most dishes are freshly prepared in two separate galleys for the main restaurant.



The AquaSpa on this ship has a dedicated and separate cafe for healthy eating. For fresh-air aficionados, two pools and a jogging track join mini-golf and other deck sports in providing outlets. Two lower decks can be used for constitutional walks though not complete circumnavigations. The luxurious spa, run by Steiner, provides hydrotherapy, aromatherapy, massage and a thalassotherapy pool, and there is a separate Acupuncture clinic, plus high-tech exercise machines.

Following the most recent refit, there are many more balcony cabins (now 314), and 174 that fall into a new Concierge class with extra services, sandwiched between the suites and the standard inside and outside cabins. In all, there are 12 categories separated by grade, square footage and position. Some 18 cabins are designed for families with two lower beds, an upper berth and two sofa beds. All cabins have warm-wood surfaces, and the standard amenities include interactive flat-screen TVs, entertainment centers where guests can gamble, shop, book shore excursions and check the bill, stocked refrigerators (a fee for use), a bar, personal safe and hair dryers.

The highest grades include pillow choices, flowers, fruit and butler services. The in-cabin menus are not as extensive as those in the restaurants, but all grades can order a full meal. For the most lavish accommodations, two lucky sets of passengers can book the 1,173-ft Presidential Suites and if that is not big enough, then add an adjoining minisuite to total 1,515 sq ft. In this self-contained world, where the services are virtually unlimited, guests can choose either to cruise in private or to mix with other passengers.

The Celebrity Century provides an excellent value for the money, a midsize ship with good food and all the modern amenities presented in a most attractive way. The closest competitors are Oceania and Crystal for the high food standards and Holland America for sophisticated ambience and decor. The Alaska itineraries match the others, while the Australia/New Zealand cruises are more far reaching. The Down Under itineraries are being taken over by the Celebrity Solstice in late 2012.

Profile

Cruise Line: Celebrity Cruises
Ship Type: Cruise Ship
Line Class: Premium
Former Name: Century
Registration: Malta
Year Built: 1995
Year Refurbished: 2006
Deck Quantity: 10
Passenger Capacity: 1,814

Statistics

Gross Tonnage: 71,545
Length: 815 ft
Beam: 105 ft
Speed: 22 knots
Inside Cabins: 306
Outside Cabins: 569
Nationality of Officers: European
Nationality of Crew: European, International, American
Number of Crew: 858

Recreation

Indoor Pools: Yes
Outdoor Pools: Yes
Is there a Spa? Yes
Is there a Casino? Yes

Dining

* **The Grand Restaurant**
Cuisine: Gourmet|International

Entertainment

* **Rendezvous Square**
Description: Lounge

Room Capacity: 1,066

Capacity: 404

• **Islands Cafe**

Cuisine: International
Room Capacity: 638

• **Celebrity Theatre**

Description: Broadway-style
revue, cabaret
Capacity: 1,000

• **Murano**

Cuisine: International
Room Capacity: 172

• **Crystal Room**

Description: Nightclub,
Champagne/cavier featured
Capacity: 332

• **Hemispheres**

Description: Lounge/Disco
with telescopes
Capacity: 447

• **Michael's Club**

Description: Piano bar,
pre/post dinner drinks
Capacity: 45

• **Images**

Description: Lounge/Video
Bar
Capacity: 140

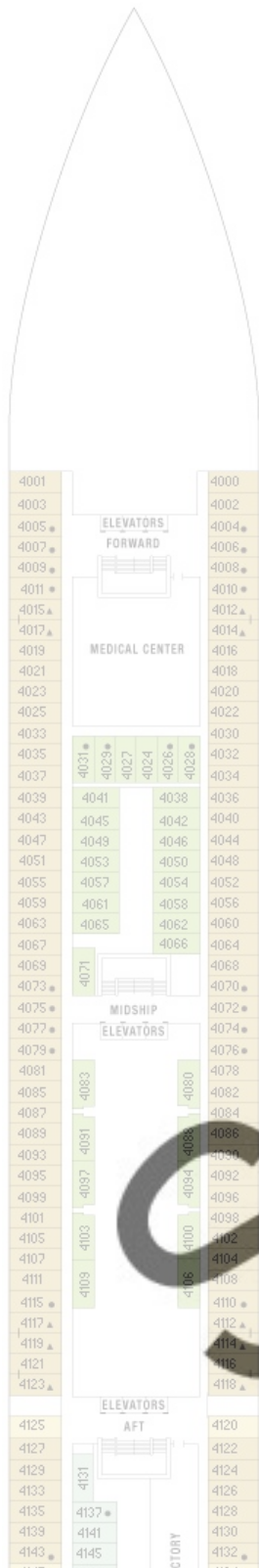
Deck Plans

Celebrity Century Stateroom Key

Category	Cabin Name
04	Oceanview Stateroom
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06	Oceanview Stateroom
07	Oceanview Stateroom
08	Oceanview Stateroom
09	Inside Stateroom
10	Inside Stateroom
11	Inside Stateroom
12	Inside Stateroom
2A	Deluxe Ocean View W/ Veranda
2B	Deluxe Ocean View W/ Veranda
9A	Inside Stateroom
9B	Inside Stateroom
C1	Concierge Class W/ Veranda
C2	Concierge Class W/ Veranda
CC	Celebrity Concierge Class W/ Veranda
FV	Family Ocean View W/ Veranda
NS	Century Suite
PS	Penthouse Suite
RS	Royal Suite W/ Veranda
S1	Sky Suite w/ Veranda
S2	Sky Suite w/ Veranda
SS	Sky Suite

SV
Continental Deck

Sunset Veranda Stateroom



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