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Cruise to Central America

12/21/15 - 12/31/15

Especially Prepared for: Jane Globetrotter
Suggested Retail Price: \$9.995

10 Night Central America & Panama Canal Cruise from Miami, FL on the Norwegian Pearl

Monday, December 21, 2015 - Thursday, December 31, 2015

Sailing Departing December 21, 2015 Schedule & Itinerary

Day	Location/ Port of Call
Day 1: Monday, 12/21/2015	Depart from Miami
Day 2: Tuesday, 12/22/2015	At Sea
Day 3: Wednesday, 12/23/2015	At Sea
Day 4: Thursday, 12/24/2015	Oranjestad
Day 5: Friday, 12/25/2015	At Sea
Day 6: Saturday, 12/26/2015	Cartagena
Day 7: Sunday, 12/27/2015	Panama Canal/gatun Lake,panama
Day 8: Monday, 12/28/2015	Colon
Day 9: Tuesday, 12/29/2015	Puerto Limon
Day 10: Wednesday, 12/30/2015	At Sea
Day 11: Thursday, 12/31/2015	At Sea
Day 12: Friday, 01/01/2016	Arrive at Miami

Norwegian Cruise Line Norwegian Pearl Ship Details

Cruise Line: Norwegian Cruise Line
Toll-free: 866-234-7350

Passengers: 2,394
Tonnage: 93,530
Crew: 1,000

Year Built: 2006

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

STAR Review



The Norwegian Pearl was completed at Meyer Werft of Papenburg, Germany, in November 2006. She measures 93,530 tons and 965 ft in length.

Innovations include NCL's first rock-climbing wall and a four-lane bowling alley. The Pearl offers 10 restaurants and a wide range of public rooms. Her 2,394 passengers are looked after by Norwegian officers and a 1,000-member crew primarily from Eastern Europe and the Philippines.

Passengers include couples in their 20s to those in retirement and multigenerational family groups, in a vein similar to Carnival, Princess and Royal Caribbean. Gratuities are added to the final bill on the basis of \$12 a day per person. The result can be perfunctory service in the main restaurants, but usually more willing in the specialty restaurants.

The single most popular meeting place is aptly named Bar Central on Deck 6, combining Shakers Martini & Cocktail Bar, Magnum's Champagne & Wine Bar, and Maltings Beer & Whiskey Pub. Bliss Ultra Lounge and Nightclub forward on the deck above offers live music, dancing and cabaret entertainment, and multiple TV screens for sporting events. Spinnakers Lounge, an observation room high up on Deck 13, tiers down to a dance floor and stage for daytime and nighttime music and dancing. The main show lounge, the Stardust Theater, presenting Broadway- and Las Vegas-style revues, slopes downward into a gaily decorated setting. Side pockets provide intimate seating, and suite passengers enjoy a reserved section. The Pearl Club Casino has high-stakes blackjack, roulette, three-card poker, Texas Hold'em, stud poker, craps and 200 slot machines.

To escape the crowds, head up to Deck 12 for the library and reading and writing room, card room, and a lifestyles room for enrichment courses, plus a chapel and three private meeting spaces. The 24-hour Internet Cafe's eight terminals sell blocks of time to reduce costs; provisions are made for wireless and in-cabin access. South Pacific Health Spa and Beauty Salon, operated by Mandara Spa, has 20 treatment rooms, including three for couples. The Body Waves Fitness Center offers a wide range of machines. Scheduled aerobics and yoga classes are held on a sprung wooden floor. A suite of men's and women's steam and sauna rooms, a plunge bath, whirlpools, jet-current exercise pool, indoor lap pool, whirlpool and hydrotherapy pool round out the options. For sports-minded passengers, dual-purpose areas are set up for basketball and volleyball and court and paddle tennis, plus two golf driving nets, minigolf, and a giant chess board. The rock-climbing wall has different routes varying in difficulty. A four-lane bowling alley is inside.



Kids, who have their own snack and soda cafe, will find programs divided into four age groups. For teenagers, the New York subway-themed Underground Teens' Club offers computers, video arcade and a lounge retreat. The Splashdown Kids' Club for the youngest ones has a supervised gym, movies, computer center, arts-and-crafts area, and a kids' pool, waterslide and four whirlpools.

Freestyle dining is what NCL is all about. Screens placed about the ship indicate restaurant seating status. When necessary, passengers receive a beeper that signals when their table is ready. The two main dining rooms are Summer Palace, in opulent gold and white Russian style, and the smaller modern-style Indigo. The extra-tariff restaurants include Cagney's Steak House, impressively decorated with paintings and photos of some of America's top criminals. Before or after dinner, the adjacent Star Bar has a delightful piano lounge atmosphere. For some, Le Bistro, with a French menu, is the best of the extra-tariff specialty restaurants, here located in place of the third main dining room found on the other ships and thus having large windows rather than interior views.

Lotus Garden Asian Restaurant (extra tariff) features sushi, sashimi, a 180-seat restaurant, and a 32-seat Teppanyaki Room arranged at two horseshoe-shaped counters for the entertaining cooking display. La Cucina Italian Restaurant has its own permanent space in the style of a trattoria. The diner-style Blue Lagoon (no extra charge) offers crisp potato skins, shepherd's pie, Buffalo chicken wings, beef burgers, and



English fish-and-chips, with both restaurants facing onto the atrium. Down below at the lower atrium reception level, the Java Cafe sells frozen coffees, espresso, cappuccino, tea, pastries and cookies. The Garden Cafe lido buffet, on Deck 12, avoids queuing with freestanding serving stations. The adjacent Kid's Cafe specializes in small portions of food that youngsters like. For a peaceful setting, The Great Outdoors is a smaller buffet positioned at the stern with table settings high over the wake.

The Pearl's 1,197-unit accommodations take 2,394 passengers double occupancy. A myriad of cabin categories are available; the largest number of cabins are either ocean-view with balcony, ocean-view or inside. These three types are spread over decks 10, 9 and 5 with a small number of cabins on Deck 4. Deluxe owner's suites offer 928 sq ft of living space with a private courtyard area with pool, hot tub, gym equipment, steam room and sundeck, living room and dining area, bedroom with king bed, full bath, whirlpool tub and a separate shower, flat-screen TV with CD/DVD player and private library. Five owner's suites are only slightly less luxurious. The 10 courtyard villas share a private interior courtyard with a swimming pool, whirlpool and deck chair lounge area protected by a roll-back dome. The master bath is set alongside the windows with flat-screen TVs above the tub, and all have a second inside bedroom designed for one or two children. These clustered accommodations are ideal for a group of friends or large families traveling together.

In other categories, the owner's suite, Romance Suite with its view over the bow, mini-suite and balcony, and outside cabins come with large baths having separate water closet, shower and washstand compartments. All staterooms, including insides, have rich cherry-wood finish, interactive TV, hair dryer, safe, refrigerator and tea- and coffeemakers.

Norwegian Pearl's mostly one-week cruises are hectic destination trips, so most passengers won't get to sample half of the ship, especially the restaurant choices, unless they want to make a concerted effort to do so. Competition includes Carnival, Princess and Royal Caribbean.

Latest Revision: April 2014

Profile

Cruise Line: Norwegian Cruise Line
Ship Type: Cruise Ship
Line Class: Mainstream
Year Built: 2006
Passenger Capacity: 2,394

Statistics

Gross Tonnage: 93,530
Length: 965 ft
Beam: 105 ft
Speed: 25 knots
Inside Cabins: 412
Outside Cabins: 785
Nationality of Officers: Norwegian
Nationality of Crew: European, Filipino
Number of Crew: 1,000

Recreation

Indoor Pools: No
Outdoor Pools: Yes
Is there a Spa? Yes
Is there a Casino? Yes

Dining

Summer Palace Dining Room

Cuisine: Continental
Room Capacity: 558

Indigo Dining Room

Room Capacity: 304

Lotus Garden Restaurant

Cuisine: Asian
Room Capacity: 108

Entertainment

Spinnaker Lounge

Description: Music and dancing
Capacity: 372

Bliss Ultra Lounge

Description: Live music, dancing, cabaret shows
Capacity: 176

Stardust Theatre

Description: Broadway/Las Vegas style shows
Capacity: 1,042

Pearl Club Casino

Description: Gaming
Capacity: 327

Magnum's Bar

Description: Champagne and wine
Capacity: 83

Shakers Martini Bar

Capacity: 48

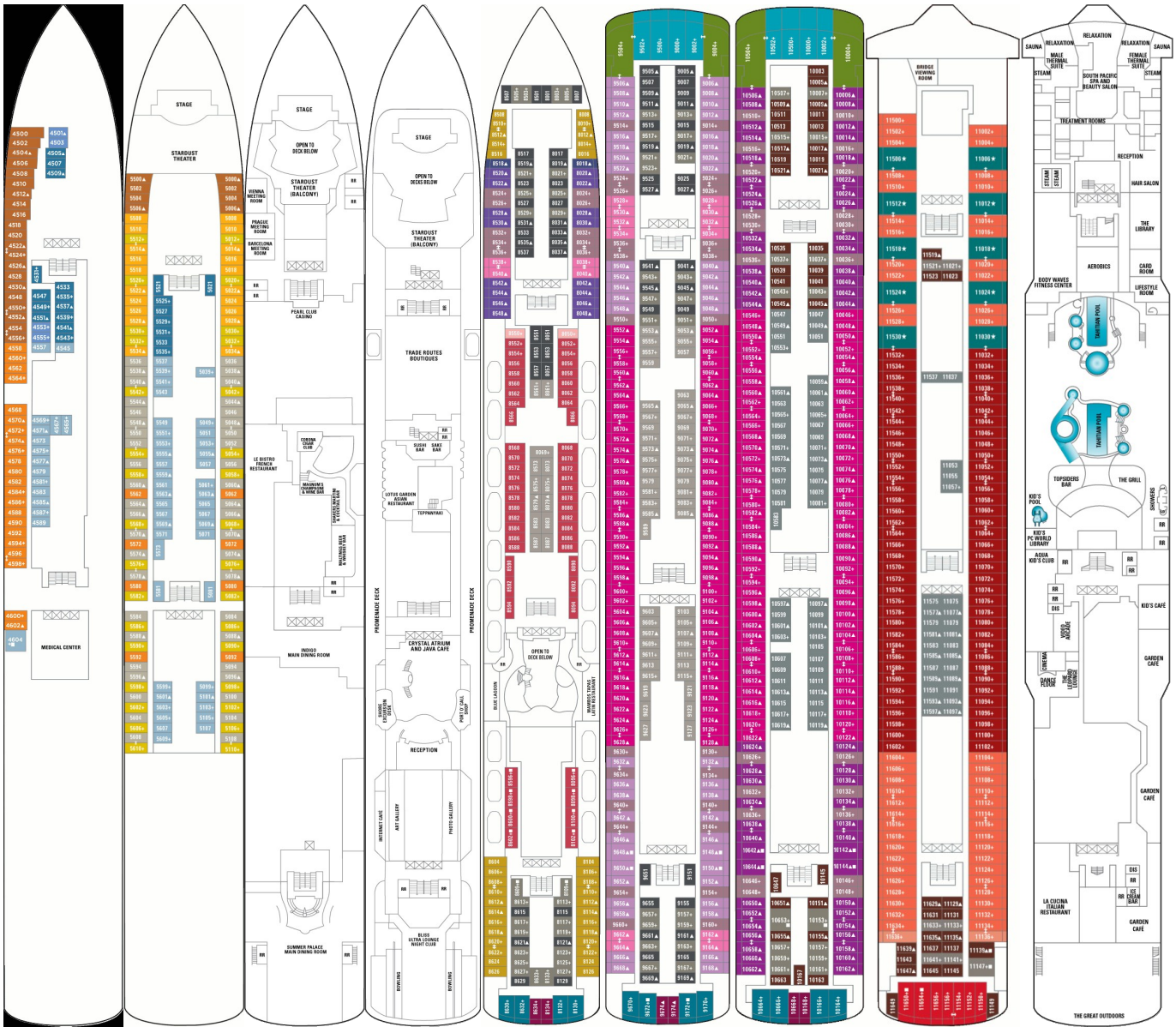
Norwegian Pearl Deck Plans

Norwegian Pearl Stateroom Key

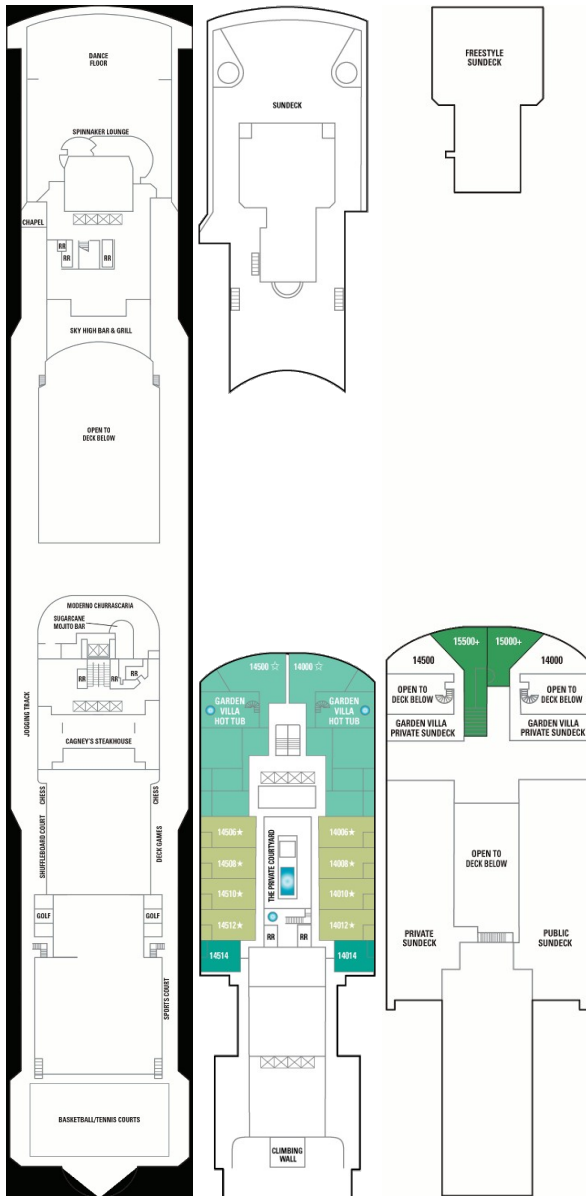
Category	Cabin Name
A1	3-Bedroom Garden Villa
A2	Deluxe Owner's Suite
A3	2-Bedroom Family Villa
A4	Courtyard Villa
AA	Owner's Suite
AB	2-Bedroom Family Suite
AC	Penthouse
AD	Romance Suite
AE	Penthouse
AF	Mini-Suite
AG	Mini-Suite
B1	Aft-Facing Balcony
B2	Family Balcony
B3	Family Balcony
BA	Balcony Stateroom
BA	Mid-Ship Balcony
BB	Balcony
BB	Balcony Stateroom
BC	Balcony
BC	Balcony Stateroom
BD	Balcony
BD	Balcony Stateroom
BE	Balcony Stateroom
BX	Guarantee Balcony
CC	Oceanview Stateroom
DD	Oceanview Stateroom
EE	Oceanview Stateroom
F	Oceanview Stateroom
G	Obstructed View Stateroom
H	Oceanview Stateroom
H1	The Haven 3-Bedroom Garden Villa
H2	The Haven Deluxe Owner's Suite with Large Balcony
H3	The Haven Owner's Suite with Large Balcony
H4	The Haven 2-Bedroom Family Villa with Balcony
H5	The Haven Courtyard Penthouse with Balcony
HH	Oceanview Stateroom
I	Inside Stateroom
I1	Family Inside
IA	Mid-ship Inside
IB	Mid-ship Inside
IC	Inside
ID	Inside
IE	Mid-ship Inside
IF	Inside
II	Inside Stateroom
IX	Guarantee Inside

Category	Cabin Name
J	Inside Stateroom
JJ	Inside Stateroom
K	Inside Stateroom
KK	Inside Stateroom
L	Inside Stateroom
M	Inside Stateroom
M1	Aft-Facing Mini Suite with Balcony
MA	Mid-Ship Mini Suite with Balcony
MB	Mini Suite with Balcony
MX	Guarantee Mini-Suite
N	Inside Stateroom
O1	Family Oceanview Picture Window
OA	Oceanview Picture Window
OB	Mid-ship Oceanview Picture Window
OC	Oceanview Picture Window
OF	Mid-ship Oceanview Porthole Window
OG	Oceanview Porthole Window
OK	Obstructed Oceanview
OX	Guarantee Oceanview
SC	2-Bedroom Family Suite with Balcony
SE	Penthouse with Large Balcony
SF	Penthouse with Large Balcony

Deck Four Deck Five Deck Six Deck Seven Deck Eight Deck Nine Deck Ten Deck Eleven Deck Twelve



Deck Thirteen Deck Fourteen Deck Fifteen



Norwegian Pearl Cabin and Stateroom Photo Gallery



Norwegian Pearl 3-Bedroom Garden Villa

4,390 sqft. complete with living room, dining room and three separate bedrooms each with king- or queen-size bed and private luxury bath. One bedroom also features a full bath with whirlpool tub and separate shower. Access to exclusive concierge lounge and private courtyard area with pool, hot tub and sundeck. Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **A1**



Norwegian Pearl Deluxe Owner's Suite

This suite includes a living room, private balconies, dining room, separate bedroom with king-size bed, mini bar, luxury bath and separate shower. Access to exclusive private courtyard area with pool, hot tub and sundeck. Butler service and concierge available. (No elevator access to Deck 15.)

Category: **A2**



Norwegian Pearl 2-Bedroom Family Villa

Living area, private balcony, dining area, separate bedroom with queen-size bed, separate children's bedroom, one bedroom features a luxury bath and separate shower. Access to exclusive concierge lounge and private courtyard area with pool, hot tub and sundeck. Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **A3**



Norwegian Pearl Courtyard Villa

Living area, private balcony, dining area, separate bedroom with queen-size bed and luxury bath and separate shower. Access to exclusive concierge lounge and private courtyard area with pool, hot tub and sundeck. Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **A4**



Norwegian Pearl Owner's Suite

With over 790 sq ft, these suites include a living room, private balconies, dining room, separate bedroom with king-size bed, mini bar, and luxury bath and separate shower. Butler service and concierge available. Access to exclusive concierge lounge and private courtyard area with pool, hot tub and sundeck.

Category: **AA**



Norwegian Pearl 2-Bedroom Family Suite

Living area, private balcony, dining area, separate bedroom with queen-size bed, separate children's bedroom, and luxury bath and separate shower. Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **AB**



Norwegian Pearl Penthouse

Living area, private balcony, dining area, bedroom with queen-size bed, and luxury bath and shower. Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **AC**



Norwegian Pearl Romance Suite

Designed for romance, these suites include a living area, private balcony, dining area, bedroom with queen-size bed, and luxury bath and shower. Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **AD**



Norwegian Pearl Penthouse

Living area, private balcony, dining area, bedroom with queen-size bed, and luxury bath and shower. (staterooms for persons with disabilities have a shower only.) Butler service and concierge available.

Category: **AE**



Norwegian Pearl Mini-Suite

Sitting area, private balcony, two lower beds that convert to a queen-size bed, and luxury bath and shower. (staterooms for persons with disabilities have a shower only.)

Category: **AF**



Norwegian Pearl Mini-Suite

Sitting area, private balcony, two lower beds that convert to a queen-size bed, and luxury bath and shower.

Category: **AG**



Norwegian Pearl Aft-Facing Balcony

You will enjoy every inch of these staterooms, with enough space to sleep up to four guests. The two lower beds can be converted into a queen-size bed and the convertible sofa pulls out to sleep two more. You will also have a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony. Because these are aft-facing, the view from your balcony is amazing and truly unforgettable.

Category: **B1**



Norwegian Pearl Family Balcony

These staterooms are perfect if you want to bring the whole family. With room for up to four guests, there are two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a convertible sofa sleeps two more. Also includes a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony.

Category: **B2**



Norwegian Pearl Family Balcony

These connecting staterooms are great family accommodations. You can bring the whole family, with room for up to four guests. Features two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a convertible sofa to sleep two more, as well as a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony.

Category: **B3**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony Stateroom

Two lower beds, sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass door that opens to a private balcony.

Category: **BA**



Norwegian Pearl Mid-Ship Balcony

These mid-ship staterooms sleep up to four guests and come with two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a convertible sofa pulls out to sleep two more. Also includes a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony with a great view. Because they are mid-ship, you will have easy access to everything on board.

Category: **BA**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony

These staterooms sleep up to two guests and come with two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed. Also includes a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony.

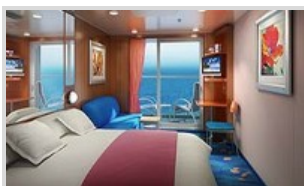
Category: **BB**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony Stateroom

Two lower beds, sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass door that opens to a private balcony.

Category: **BB**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony

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Category: **BC**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony Stateroom

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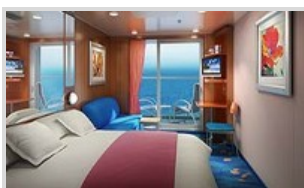
Category: **BC**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony

These staterooms sleep up to two guests and come with two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed. Also includes a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony.

Category: **BD**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony Stateroom

These staterooms sleep up to two guests and come with two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed. Also includes a sitting area and floor-to-ceiling glass doors that open to a private balcony. Approx. size: 205 square feet.

Category: **BD**



Norwegian Pearl Balcony Stateroom

Two lower beds, sitting area, floor-to-ceiling glass door opens to private balcony.

Category: **BE**



Norwegian Pearl Guarantee Balcony

A Guarantee stateroom (GTY) guarantees a Balcony stateroom or better! Please note that the view from your balcony may be fully obstructed or partially obstructed. Your stateroom may be on any deck and assigned up to one day prior to embarkation.

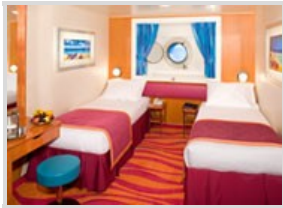
Category: **BX**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Stateroom

Two lower beds, picture window.

Category: **CC** **DD** **EE**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Stateroom

Two lower beds, porthole.

Category: **F**



Norwegian Pearl Obstructed View Stateroom

Two lower beds, picture window or portholes. (Some cabins have an obstructed view)

Category: **G**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Stateroom

Two lower beds, porthole.

Category: **H**



Norwegian Pearl The Haven 3-Bedroom Garden Villa

These amazing Villas sleep up to eight with three separate bedrooms, each with a king- or queen-size bed and luxury bath. With a living room, dining room and incredible private garden with hot tub, you will have more than enough space to spread out and unwind. You will also have access to the private courtyard area. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **H1**



Norwegian Pearl The Haven Deluxe Owner's Suite with Large Balcony

Enjoy the perfect escape in the Deluxe Owners Suites. With a living room, dining room, wall of windows and separate bedroom with king-size bed and luxury bath, you will have an unforgettable experience in this suite. Sleeps up to four and includes access to the private courtyard area. Not to mention the large balcony and amazing view. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **H2**



Norwegian Pearl The Haven Owner's Suite with Large Balcony

These Owners Suites are a truly luxurious way for you to get away. Includes a separate bedroom with a king-size bed and luxury bath with separate shower, in addition to the living room, dining room and large private balconies with incredible views. Sleeps up to four and guests receive access to the private courtyard area. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **H3**



Norwegian Pearl The Haven 2-Bedroom Family Villa with Balcony

Up to six guests can enjoy these Villas that are perfect if you want to bring the kids. They have one bedroom with a queen-size bed and a luxury bath and shower, as well as a separate childrens bedroom. Also features a living area, dining area and private balcony. You will also have access to the private courtyard area. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **H4**



Norwegian Pearl The Haven Courtyard Penthouse with Balcony

These Courtyard Penthouses make for an amazing cruising experience. Sleeps three, with a bedroom featuring a queen-size bed, luxury bath and shower and additional bedding to sleep one additional guest. Also features a living area, dining area, private balcony and access to the private courtyard area. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **H5**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Stateroom

Two lower beds, porthole.

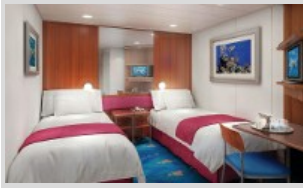
Category: **HH**



Norwegian Pearl Inside Stateroom

Combines luxury and comfort with value. Sitting area and two lower beds that convert to a double. Complete with TV and refrigerator.

Category: **I**



Norwegian Pearl Family Inside

These Inside Staterooms are the most affordable way for your family to cruise. With room for up to four guests, you will have two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and pull down beds sleep two more. And of course, room service and many other amenities.

Category: **I1**



Norwegian Pearl Mid-ship Inside

With room for up to four guests, these Inside Staterooms come with two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and pull down beds to accommodate two more. These staterooms are mid-ship, so you will have easy access to everything on board.

Category: **IA** **IB**



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Category: **IC** **ID**



Norwegian Pearl Mid-ship Inside

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Category: **IE**



Norwegian Pearl Inside

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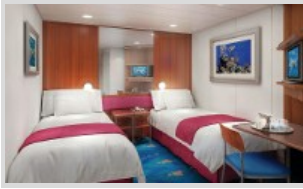
Category: **IF**



Norwegian Pearl Inside Stateroom

Two lower beds.

Category: **II**



Norwegian Pearl Guarantee Inside

A Guarantee stateroom (GTY) guarantees an Inside stateroom or better! Your stateroom may be on any deck and assigned up to one day prior to embarkation.

Category: **IX**



Norwegian Pearl Inside Stateroom

Two lower beds

Category: **J**



Norwegian Pearl Inside Stateroom

Two lower beds

Category: **JJ**



Norwegian Pearl Inside Stateroom

Two lower beds.

Category: **K** **KK** **L** **M**



Norwegian Pearl Aft-Facing Mini Suite with Balcony

These Mini-Suites sleep up to four guests, making them ideal if you want to bring the kids. They have two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed as well as a sitting area, luxury bath with shower and additional bedding to sleep two additional guests. Because they are aft-facing suites, the view from your private balcony is truly amazing.

Category: **M1**



Norwegian Pearl Mid-Ship Mini Suite with Balcony

With room for up to four guests, you will love these Mini-Suites. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed as well as a sitting area, luxury bath with shower, additional bedding to sleep two additional guests and a private balcony with a great view. Because it is a mid-ship suite, you will have easy access to everything on board.

Category: **MA**



Norwegian Pearl Mini Suite with Balcony

With room for up to four guests, you will love these Mini-Suites. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed as well as a sitting area, luxury bath with shower, additional bedding to sleep two additional guests and a private balcony with a great view. Because it is a mid-ship suite, you will have easy access to everything on board.

Category: **MB**



Norwegian Pearl Guarantee Mini-Suite

A Guarantee stateroom (GTY) guarantees a Mini-Suite stateroom or better! Please note that the view from your balcony may be fully obstructed or partially obstructed. Your stateroom may be on any deck and assigned up to one day prior to embarkation.

Category: **MX**



Norwegian Pearl Inside Stateroom

Two lower beds

Category: **N**



Norwegian Pearl Family Oceanview Picture Window

You can comfortably fit up to four guests in these staterooms, making them perfect for families. You will enjoy an amazing view from the big picture window. Two lower beds convert into a queen-size bed and pull down beds sleep two more. Of course, you will have room service and many other amenities.

Category: **O1**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Picture Window

These Oceanview Staterooms have enough room for up to three guests. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a pull down bed that accommodates an additional guest. You will also have an amazing view to enjoy from your big picture window, along with room service and many more amenities.

Category: **OA**



Norwegian Pearl Mid-ship Oceanview Picture Window

These Oceanview Staterooms have enough room for up to three guests. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a pull down bed that accommodates an additional guest. You will also have an amazing view to enjoy from your big picture window, along with room service and many more amenities.

Category: **OB**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Picture Window

These Oceanview Staterooms are lower deck accommodations and can sleep up to three guests. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a pull down bed that accommodates one more guest, in addition to the big picture window.

Category: **OC**



Norwegian Pearl Mid-ship Oceanview Porthole Window

These Oceanview Staterooms have enough room for up to three guests. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and a pull down bed that accommodates an additional guest. You will also have an amazing view to enjoy from your big picture window, along with room service and many more amenities.

Category: **OF**



Norwegian Pearl Oceanview Porthole Window

Up to four guests can stay in these Oceanview Staterooms. Includes two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and pull down beds that sleep two more, as well as a porthole to enjoy the view.

Category: **OG**



Norwegian Pearl Obstructed Oceanview

These Oceanview Staterooms sleep up to four guests and have either a picture window or porthole, with an obstructed view. Two lower beds that convert into a queen-size bed and pull down beds sleep two more.

Category: **OK**



Norwegian Pearl Guarantee Oceanview

A Guarantee stateroom (GTY) guarantees an Oceanview stateroom or better! Please note that the view may be fully obstructed, partially obstructed, porthole or picture window. Your stateroom may be on any deck and assigned up to one day prior to embarkation.

Category: **OX**



Norwegian Pearl 2-Bedroom Family Suite with Balcony

These Penthouses are perfect for your whole family. Up to six guests can stay in these luxurious Penthouses that include a bedroom with a queen-size bed and a separate childrens bedroom. In addition to the living area, dining area, private balcony and luxury bath with separate shower. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **SC**



Norwegian Pearl Penthouse with Large Balcony

These incredible Penthouses sleep up to four, with a bedroom with queen-size bed and luxury bath and shower. Also includes a living area, dining area and large private balcony that offers an amazing view. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **SE**



Norwegian Pearl Penthouse with Large Balcony

Perfect for a romantic getaway, you will fall head over heels for these fabulous Penthouses. Sleeps up to four, with a bedroom with queen-size bed and luxury bath and shower, in addition to the living area, dining area and large private balcony. Includes butler and concierge service.

Category: **SF**

Norwegian Pearl Images



★ STAR Cruise Line Overview

Originally Norwegian Caribbean Line, Norwegian Cruise Line dates to 1966, when the first of the White Fleet of brand-new ships—Sunward, Skyward, Starward and Southward—began sailing out of Miami. After the initial burst of success, expansion continued sporadically until 1980 when NCL rehabilitated the former French trans-Atlantic liner France into the Norway, instantly handing NCL the largest, longest and most spectacular cruise vessel afloat. In the early 1990s, the Dreamward and Windward entered service boasting four intimate reserved-seat restaurants, but overall the fleet was not equal in atmosphere, and the cabin assignment generally determined the dining locale. To attempt to unify the increasingly mismatched fleet, the NCL fleet received Norwegian prefixes but it was not until Star Cruises, a Malaysian company, took over that the line began investing heavily in new tonnage. Its ships now rival those of Carnival Cruise Lines, Princess Cruises and Royal Caribbean. The present fleet dates from the 21st century, and the line's two trademarks are varied and high-end entertainment venues and Freestyle cruising, where passengers dine when and where they wish in two score of locations. NCL's ownership is split between the Genting Group (Malaysia) and Apollo Management (USA).

Fleet

NCL started in 1999 with the introduction of the Norwegian Sky. Almost every year since then, it has introduced a megaship that meets its Freestyle Cruising concept while selling off its older tonnage so the line can boast one of the most modern fleets in the industry. NCL operates more ships from U.S. ports than any other line. It lobbied hard and won the right to enter the domestic intra-Hawaiian trade by launching NCL America, obviating the requirement to board a non-U.S.-flag ship in a foreign country or call at a distant foreign port in the course of a cruise. Rapid expansion coupled with the high cost and difficulty of keeping American crews has resulted in two of the three leaving these waters; the Pride of America remains to sail the intra-Hawaiian domestic route alone. In 2010, NCL took a big leap upward with the 153,000-ton Norwegian Epic, which is among the largest cruise ships in the world, and with much more entertainment added to the mix of even more restaurant choices. NCL's newest ships are the Norwegian Breakaway, based out of New York City, and Norwegian Epic, based out of Miami, which are 143,000-tonners in the Breakaway-class. Two newer ships, expected to be slightly larger than Breakaway-class, are due in 2015 and 2017.

Itineraries

Most of the fleet sails from U.S. coastal ports to New England and Canada, Bermuda, the Caribbean, Mexican Riviera, Alaska and Hawaii. Ships are also based in the Mediterranean in the spring, summer and fall and head to South America in the winter.

Dining and Decor

Drawing on the Asian fleet's multiple dining spots, the Freestyle concept has taken hold in an even broader and more sophisticated fashion within the NCL fleet. Those who want a fixed table at a set time can still have it, but otherwise the trend is to eat in one of the increasingly numerous ethnic dining venues in a wide window of hours. Some ships count 12-14 dining venues (Norwegian Epic has 20) from sophisticated French and teppanyaki to hot dogs and fries. The better restaurants have an extra tariff. There is no dress code, but some passengers do dress up for dinner. The decor is colorful and attractive, although the hull art is pure whimsy.

Programs

NCL operates a standard shore program and offers lots of activities aboard. Great Stirrup Cay, NCL's 250-acre private island, frequently adds new features such as a new marina to dock the island's tenders and an expanded 8,500-sq-ft dining area with two bars and undercover dining pavilions. Ongoing are beach expansion, additional activities and children's facilities, and more bars.

Onboard Experience

NCL ships are cities at sea with lots of moving about in the evening before, during and after mealtimes. Happily, there are attractions for the young and young at heart and quiet venues for those who like some solitude during the day and an intimate evening meal. The Norwegian Epic offers supper-club entertainment as well as breakfast-time entertainment for kids. In the main theater, the antics of the Blue Man Group are hugely popular.

Competitors

As a popular cruise line, NCL's competitors would be Carnival, Princess and Royal Caribbean and to a lesser extent, Holland America.