

Cruise News

Sunrise: 06.14

Red Sea Magic - Saturday 26th November 2005

Sunset: 16.40



Today's port...

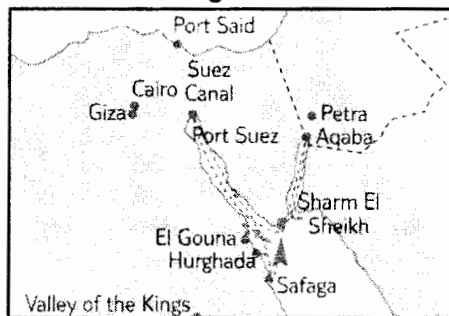
Jordan

Aqaba is a welcoming and fascinating destination with something for everyone.

Surrounded by rugged mountains that subtly change colour as the day unfolds, Aqaba is Jordan's only port city. Its crystal clear waters, abundant marine life and pleasant climate, moderate temperatures in winter and fresh cooling sea breezes in summer make it an ideal location for year round holiday whether you are a nature lover or a history enthusiast.

Famously described by T. H. Lawrence as 'vast echoing and God-like', and acclaimed by many as one of the most stunning wonders in the world the ancient city of Petra is one of Jordan's national treasures and by far its best known tourist attraction. Located about two hours from Aqaba, Petra is the legacy of the Nabataens, industrious Arab people who settled in southern Jordan more than 2000 years ago, admired then for its refined culture and

massive architecture. Much of Petra's appeal comes from its spectacular setting deep inside a narrow desert gorge. Various walks, buildings, tombs, ingenious complex of dams and water channels, Petra is now a UNESCO world heritage site that enchants visitors from all corners of the globe.



Overnight....

Departure...

22.00

Please be back on board 30 minutes before departure

Where's the gangway today?

Deck 2 - Midship Staircase

Opening times...

Reception	24 Hours
<i>Deck 4 - midships</i>	<i>dial '0'</i>
Foreign Exchange	08.00 - 23.30
<i>at reception desk</i>	
Destination Services	09.00 - 11.00
<i>Deck 5 - forward</i>	17.00 - 19.00
Celebrations Desk	09.00 - 10.00
<i>Deck 5 - Broad Street Shops</i>	19.00 - 20.00
Broad Street Shops	22.30 - 02.00
<i>Deck 5 - midships</i>	
Oceans Beauty Salon	09.00 - 21.00
<i>Deck 4 - forward</i>	
Oceans Gym	07.30 - 21.00
<i>Deck 8 - aft</i>	
Sports Court	10.00 - 14.00
<i>Deck 9 - midships</i>	
Medical Centre	08.00 - 10.00
<i>Deck 3 - aft</i>	17.00 - 20.00
Photo Gallery	18.00 - 23.59
<i>Deck 5 - aft</i>	
Library	10.00 - 11.00
<i>Deck 5 - Browser's Corner</i>	16.30 - 17.30
Raffles Casino	22.30
<i>Deck 5 - midships</i>	
Gaming Machines	30 minutes after sailing
Fun Casino	21.00 - 22.30
Gaming Tables	22.30 - Late

Don't miss...

20.45 & 22.30 Showtime Saturday Night Live

Our guest comedian Jed Fry, flown in especially from the UK, hits the stage with his stand up show. Not to be missed in the Broadway Show Lounge.

22.30 Blank Spaces

Join your fellow guests as Gareth poses the questions in Blank Spaces. Can you fill in the blanks and reach our supermatch final?

23.30 ABBA Mania

From the glittering era of the 70's, we take you down memory lane with a sparkling quiz and cabaret. Get those platforms on for a memorable night!

See inside for more details. **World of TUI**

The guide ...

Cinema

12.00, 15.00, 18.00, 21.00 & midnight

Batman Begins (PG-13)

In the wake of his parents murder, disillusioned industrial heir Bruce Wayne travels the world seeking the means to fight injustice and turn fear against those who prey on the fearful. He returns to Gotham and unveils his alter ego: Batman, to fight the sinister forces that threaten the city. Starring Christian Bale and Morgan Freeman.

In cabin films

09.00, 12.00, 15.00, 18.00, 21.00 & midnight

Channel 19 - Boogeyman (PG-13)

A young man's paranoia has grown over the years, as he believes as a child he saw a boogeyman. He returns to his childhood home, fighting truth and evil in his own mind.

Channel 20 - The Game of Their Lives (PG) In 1950, an American soccer team was assembled in St. Louis to play for the World Cup against the British team. Expected to be trounced, this rag-tag team stunned England by beating the Brits 1-0. With Gerard Butler.

In cabin tv

Channel 17 *Treasured Moments* video

Channel 18 *Safety information*

Channel 19 *In cabin movie*

Channel 20 *In cabin movie*

Channel 21 *Port Information*

Channel 22 *BBC World*

Channel 23 *Euro News*

Channel 25 *Discovery*

Channel 26 *Radio - Music Nation*

Channel 27 *Radio - Jazzy Love*

Channel 28 *Radio - Holiday FM*

Channel 35 *View from the Bridge*

The tv channels are available subject to receiving a suitable satellite signal.

Your easy entertainment

	Broadway Show Lounge	High Spirits	Explorers' Lounge	Raffles Bar & Casino	Horizons
6-ish		17.00 Bingo <i>ticket sales from 17.00 eyes down at 17.30</i>			Why not try an aperitif before dinner?
7-ish	19.30-20.30 Broadway Beats <i>dancefloor invitation with Solaris Trio</i>	19.45-20.30 Music for Dancing <i>Take 5 play for dancing</i>		19.30-20.30 Cocktail Melodies <i>with the talented Vadasz Duo</i>	19.00-20.00 Smooth Piano <i>with Jean Pierre</i>
8-ish	20.45 Showtime Saturday Night Live <i>with Jed Fry</i>	20.45-21.30 Chance To Dance <i>our resident quintet, Take 5 invite you onto the dancefloore</i>	Enjoy a drink and relaxing tunes in the comfort of our non-smoking lounge		
9-ish	Try the Cocktail of the Day 'Comedy Caper'	21.45 Spotlight Cabaret <i>with Clare London and Carl De Marco</i>		21.30-22.15 King of the Keys <i>Jean Pierre entertains</i>	21.00-22.00 Classical Piano & Violin <i>with Laszlo and Geza</i>
10-ish	22.30 Showtime Saturday Night Live <i>with Jed Fry</i>	22.30 Blank Spaces <i>can you fill in those 'blanks'? Hosted by Gareth Cole</i>			22.30 Live Spotlight Cabaret <i>with Emma Webb, Saul Danson and pianist Jean Pierre</i>
11-ish	23.45-00.30 Solaris Trio <i>play for your dancing and listening pleasure</i>	23.30 ABBA Mania <i>70's fun with your Entertainment Team</i>		22.45-23.30 Intimate Moods <i>with Vadasz Duo</i>	
12-ish		midnight-late Disco <i>DJ Robin spins those discs into the early hours</i>		midnight-01.00 Thru' Midnight <i>with Jean Pierre as he plays the lost tunes of the night</i>	midnight-01.00 Late Night Classics <i>with Vadasz Duo</i>

During shows, please do not walk through the show lounge.



Shore excursions...

- Petra - The Rose City 07.30
- The Dead Sea 08.00

Booking deadline for all tours to Cairo is 10.00.

Meet your excursion on the quayside 15 minutes prior to departure.

Wear comfortable walking shoes. Please bring your boarding pass, excursion ticket, bottled water and camera. Don't forget to take along some money for souvenirs.

Note: It can be cool in the mountains while visiting Petra - Please take a jumper.

Port Shuttle Bus

Want to explore Aqaba on your own? Shuttle buses will be running throughout the day from the ship to a central drop point in Aqaba city centre. Please note that no guide will accompany the bus. Your ticket is valid for a return journey and costs £5.00

This service will run continuously from 09.00 am. The last coach leaves Aqaba at 18.00 hrs. Bus tickets are available at the Shore Excursion Desk between 09.00 - 11.00 and from Reception throughout the day. Please note that all passengers will need to fill in a landing card before going ashore. Cards will be available at the gangway.

Dining Times...

Continental Breakfast	06.00 - 07.00	Lido Restaurant
Light Breakfast Corner	05.45 - 10.00	Lido Pool Deck
Breakfast Buffet	05.45 - 11.30	Lido Restaurant
Breakfast 'Waiter & Buffet Service'	05.45 - 09.30	Compass Rose Restaurant
Pizza Oven & Snack Bar	11.30 - 15.00	Lido Pool Deck
Lunch Buffet	11.30 - 15.30	Lido Restaurant
Lunch 'Waiter Service'	12.30 - 14.00	Compass Rose Restaurant
Afternoon Tea	15.30 - 17.00	Lido Restaurant
Pizza Oven & Snack Bar	16.00 - 20.00 22.00 - 00.30	Lido Pool Deck
Dinner 'Waiter Service'	19.00 - 22.30	Compass Rose Restaurant
Evening Buffet BBQ	18.30 - 01.00	Lido Restaurant
Buffet Magnifique	23.59 - 01.00	Sirocco's
Late Night Menu	01.00 - 06.00	Lido Restaurant

Bar Service...

Raffles Bar	06.00 - Close	Deck 5
Lido Bar	09.00 - 01.00	Deck 5
Horizons	17.30 - 01.00	Deck 9
Explorers' Lounge	10.00 - 23.00	Deck 5
High Spirits	16.00 - Close	Deck 6
Broadway Show Lounge	19.30 - Close	Deck 5 & 6

It is company policy not to serve alcohol to anyone who is, or appears to be, under the age of 18 years.

What's on today..

09.30 Sports court

Morning Fitness: Alina takes a simple stretching class to start your day.

10.00-11.00 Browser's corner

Library: Good books available today. Meet fellow guests and arrange a game of cards. An ideal opportunity for Bridge players to get together.

10.00-11.00 Sports court

Sportzone: Meet your opponents in a game of 'Table Tennis'. With Lloyd.

14.00 Lido pool deck

Quiz Time: Fun in the sun as your entertainment hosts test your grey cells in this afternoon's quiz.

15.00-15.45 High spirits

Dance Class: 'Basic Tap'. Dance Captain Jenna Woods teaches you the basics of tap! Please bring hard soled shoes.

15.30-16.30 Sports court

Sportzone: 'Rope Quoits'. Emma B hosts today's game of Rope Quoits.

16.00 Card & Reading Room

Fitness Class: 'Problematic Zone'. Alina invites you to this afternoon's fitness class.

16.30 Browser's corner

Library: Open for books until 17.30 with showteam singer Emma Webb.

17.00 High spirits

BINGO: Ticket sales from 17.00. £3 for 5 games. Eyes down at 17.30. Tickets will be charged to your onboard account. With Lloyd and Gareth.

BUFFET MAGNIFIQUE

A great highlight of the cruise is our fabulous 'Buffet Magnifique' tonight at 23.59 - 01.00 in the Compass Rose Restaurant.

See an amazing array of fish and meat dishes, a great selection of breads and fruit all decorated in a grand and artistic style with vegetable and ice carvings. This is truly something not to be missed!

At 23.30 there will be an opportunity to take pictures. Don't forget your camera!

A la carte dining

Why not treat yourself to our elegant a la carte restaurant, **Sirocco's**. It's the perfect place to dine for that special occasion. Reservations are required and can be made between **17.30 & 18.00** this evening at the Compass Rose Restaurant.

A £15 cover charge per person will apply.

Phoning home

Why not take advantage of our direct dial satellite telephone system from your cabin. Simply follow the instruction located close to the phone. Approximate cost is £3.00 per minute.

Please note that billing commences 20 seconds after dialling '9' whether you connect or not.

Ship's contact

Thomson Spirit mobile
0020 129 144 557

Today's special offers...

Shops on board

Visit the Broad Street shops and create your own personalised jewellery... Design your own necklace, bracelet, anklet or glasses chain today.

Promotion of the Day:

Receive a **free** gift set with any purchase of Nina Ricci products.

Please note you must show your boarding card and your cabin key when making a purchase in the shops.

Photo shop

Purchase any two 6" photographs and receive a key ring free of charge!
Burn your digital images to CD or process your negatives with us.
Plus you can order your photographs on canvas!

Internet message

Why not take advantage of our Internet service onboard and send a message to your friends or family.

Just visit the Browser's Corner on deck 5 where various packages are available.

Cocktail of the Day

'Comedy Cap'

An exciting mix of Amaretto, Bananas and Kahlua. For only **£2.25**

Polite reminder

Passengers are reminded that passports are not required for going ashore in Jordan. All passports must remain on the ship at Reception. Also, all those passengers wishing to go ashore independently, or joining the 'Diving & Snorkelling tour' will need to fill in a landing card which will be available at the gangway on Deck 2.

Beaufort Scale

Rear Admiral Beaufort was the Hydrographer of the Navy in the second quarter of the 19th Century. To achieve uniformity in reports, he devised a scale of recording wind force. This is now called the Beaufort Scale. Originally it ranged from Force 1 to 12 covering every condition from calm to hurricane. The scale was later adapted to contain a description of typical sea conditions. For all purposes, the numbers below are based on the present Beaufort scale.

Force	Description
0	Calm
1	Light Airs
2	Breeze
3	Gentle wind
4	Moderate
5	Fresh
6	Strong
7	Very strong wind
8	Gale
9	Strong gale
10	Storm
11	Violent storm

SEA

Height (ft)	Wave description (open sea)
0	Sea like a mirror
0.25	Ripples on the surface
1	Small waves, crests have a glassy look
3	Large waves, crests begin to break
5	Small waves, many white horses begin to appear.
8	Moderate waves, many white horses.
13	Large waves, white foam crests.
19	Sea heaps up, spray drifts.
25	Moderately high sea, foam blown in streaks along direction of wind.
32	High waves, dense streaks of foam.
41	Very high waves, large patches of foam.
52	Exceptionally high waves. Sea covered in foam. Visibility seriously affected.

Kidzone (3-12yrs)

- **Shipwrecked** 10.00-11.30
- **Beached Out** 16.00-17.30
- **Movies & Munchies*** 20.00 - 22.00

**Snacks are provided. Please bring a drink. Meet Laura & Nicola your Children's Hosts in Kidzone on deck 7.*