## News Of Travel

## Cruising For Comfort, Americans Go Away, But Not Too Far Away

(NAPSA)—When it comes to travel in the months ahead, it seems people want to stay closer to home, yet reach faraway places.

Fortunately, there's a way to have a great trip to exotic locales without having to leave the hemisphere.

You can, for example, take a terrific Royal Olympic cruise to or from Central Florida (Port Canaveral), Ft. Lauderdale, Houston, Los Angeles or the Hawaiian Islands. These cruises reach such exciting New World destinations as the Amazon River, the Orinoco River in Venezuela, the Panama Canal, several friendly ports in Mexico, and even travel around South America.

The new, 836-passenger Olympia Explorer and Olympia Voyager now the fastest cruise ships in the world with a 30-knot cruising speed—offer unprecedented, destination-rich itineraries, and stateof-the-art technology. Onboard these intimate-sized ships, there's an environment of warm and personable Greek hospitality, uplifting exploration and comforting nautical traditions. Perhaps best of all, the cruises represent tremendous value, with reasonably priced air add-ons available from more than 40 popular U.S. gateways.

Extensive enrichment programs complement the *Olympia Explorer* and *Olympia Voyager* cruise experience. These can include delicious food and wine demonstrations and



Many people find the culture and comforts of a cruise a great way to travel from the U.S. to nearby exotic destinations.

tastings, as well as seminars by expert guest lecturers with prominent university and government affiliations—ranging from ambassadors, authors, archaeologists, art historians, astronomers, anthropologists and astronauts, such as Scott Carpenter; to zoo archaeologists; and classical music concerts by artists of international acclaim. Shore excursion programs are equally designed for discerning travelers who prefer an active vacation with a cultural focus—one that piques intellectual curiosity with physical exploration.

Many travelers say such a cruise provides all the delights of a world away with the feeling of security and the comforts of home and more.

For reservations or more information, contact a travel agent or call 1-800-872-6400. You can also find out more online at www.royalolympiccruises.com.