

The do everything vacation Blog:

So, it begins: Tick tock

I was at the bank the other day. He wanted to help me save. At home I pondered all he had to say. Pay off the mortgage. Pay down my line of credit. Save for retirement. What about saving for a trip? We covered it all. Then I began to write down all the places I'd like to travel to. A sort of bucket list. Is there enough time and money? I'm no spring chicken. I could hear the clock on the wall: tick tock.

I would say that saving for this trip must start now. It has been already for some. I have a plan in how I will save for it. However, the time is now. We are near half way. About 2½ years to go. All the work has been done. Now we just look at the clock: tick tock. No! there is plenty to do. What do you want to see? I have discovered a few new things. A bridge in Paris. The Eye in London. A fountain in Venice. How about wine in Santorini? The dreaming stage is planning too.

Some have said no. It's too long to wait. Are they going there before us? No, they are just not going there at all. It will happen one day they say. I'm 52 and some are 53. When? I thought that if we made a date then at least this type of trip is covered. Doing it right takes time. 5 years!

Well no, but if a group was going then maybe yes, 5 years. People are starting to retire. It's totally scary that they say the average life after that is 5 years. You will never hit Greece if that is remotely true. Yet, I don't think like that. This is a building dream. It will happen. Yet, life is still happening in the meantime. Tick tock.

I know that within about 6 months we will be setting a cruise line. We will be picking an itinerary. It's coming fast. How you get there and how you get home is your plan. I just want to give a focal point of the boat. With friends? I hope so. Yet, time is ticking. The time to begin saving is almost past. The time for planning is here because booking is soon. Will it evolve? Absolutely, but time is ticking.