



The do everything vacation Blog:

Let's get to work: tinkering

It's time to tinker. I have worked hard to make a visual of what this trip could and should look like. All those boats to choose from. All the itineraries to look at. Finally, we made a choice. Apparently, it's a pretty good choice. We only have two sea days. Trust me sea days are fun. Yet, the other nine days are touring different cities. That is worth something. We are not that far away from several things. It's almost time to tinker.

Yes, we need this group to get together. It's time to look at all we want to see.

Unfortunately, we won't see it all. People just don't have enough time. Plus, this area of the world has too much to see. The more I look the more I want to see. The region between Switzerland and Italy is off the charts. That is a vacation all in its own. There is too much in Rome. Too much in the surrounding cities like Florence. So, we have to look at what's the most important and the most common.

There is something else to tinker with too. I need to look into country Visas. I'm sure you all know but some countries want travel visas. Yes, we have our normal country of origin Visa. Yet, there is also a (money grab/security fee) travel visa that you need to apply for to visit a country. I needed it in Egypt. I also needed one in Australia and New Zealand. Do we need visas in Greece, Italy, and Croatia? I will dig into this. They are usually very cheap and easy to get. I bought one in the airport in Cairo for twenty bucks. That was weird. Australia, I applied online and received it within a minute for 20 bucks. New Zealand had a app for my phone and it was 35 dollars.

I will be commenting on where to buy flights and future trips. I have gained an opinion from this experience. I am no expert but I have learned a thing or two. We will be embarking on our Australian cruise in less than two months now. I will review Princess cruises. I have heard good things about Norwegian but who knows. Each boat is different. I liked the Carnival Glory. Yet, I saw it crash into the back of another ship the other day. I hope those things do not happen to us.