

Christa Robert, Cruise World
Your Dream Vacation at Sea
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Have you ever considered a cruise? Could you use some help planning it? That is what Cruise World owner, Christa Robert, wants to know. Christa has been working in the travel industry for over 22 years and has been the owner of Cruise World for two.

“Cruise World has been in business here in Linden Woods for 24 years,” Christa says. “I have been here for 12 years. The original owners retired two years ago and I took them up on their offer to purchase the business.”

Cruise World is an award winning Full Service Travel Agency. They are one of the few agencies in the prairies who specializes in cruises. “We are one of the top sellers of cruises, not only in Winnipeg, but prairie wide. Because of our status with the cruise lines, we can offer exclusive pricing and extra perks,” Christa says. “We also offer something that you can’t get online and that is personalized customer service.”

Christa and her staff are also very well-travelled agents, who each have more than 20 years of experience in the Travel Industry and are accredited by CLIA (Cruise Lines International Association). “Not only do we do certification courses and attend product seminars, but we travel,” Christa says. “So we see it first-hand and we see it as a traveller.”

Since they are so well travelled and have sailed on most cruise lines that they offer, they can tell you with authority which cruise would be the best fit for you. Do you want to sail on the world’s largest ship with all the sporting and entertainment options, experience superb cuisine and service on a small ship luxury cruise, or perhaps an upscale sail ship or river cruise?

“River cruising is becoming very popular, because you sail right into the heart of the cities and towns; tours are included, your drinks are included,” Christa says. “We also offer Hosted Group Cruises and Tours. There are fabulous benefits when

travelling as a group and organizations can even use it as a fundraiser. Our agents have customized many wedding groups on land and on ships. We have great relationships with our suppliers and book all types of travel: Motorcoach Tours, and all-inclusives and African safaris. We do it all.”

Cruise World can also provide options for the various insurance coverages. Call them or drop into their office to get first-hand reviews and recommendations.

Cruise World has four staff, and will be looking to add another soon: Christa, Loretta Becker, Zinny Deen and Cat Vongdara, all of whom spend non-working time expanding their travel experience and knowledge. Former owner, Penny Brookes, has stayed on as an independent representative. Christa says, “She does a lot of hosted cruises and has been on segments of three world cruises in the last three years. She can provide first-hand reviews of the many destinations she has visited on over 100 sailings.”

Cruise World does their best to help people have wonderful, stress free vacations that they will tell their friends about. “A lot of our business is referrals and we really appreciate that our clients recommend us to their friends,” Christa says.

If you wish to get more info about Cruise World, you can check out their website at www.cruiseworld.mb.ca or find them on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. You can also drop by their office on Waverley and find out in person what they can do for you.

They pride themselves on both their customer service and their travel experience, which they want to pass along to you to make your vacation one to remember. “It doesn’t cost you any more to use our services than to do it yourself. In fact, we can save you money. Some people think that they get a deal by booking online, but the fact is that if you are not booking with Cruise World, you are missing out on special pricing and perks,” Christa says, “We all get great pleasure out of creating fabulous dream vacations for our customers.”