

STERLING CRUISES ALL THE WAY WITH THOMSON!

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If you've dreamt about taking a cruise but thought they were out of your price range, then think again as for 2009 cruises (<http://www.thomson.co.uk/cruise/cruise>) look to be the perfect credit crunch holiday solution.

When you consider what is included it is great value for money, especially on a Thomson Cruise where everything is paid for in sterling as Thomson Cruises is a British ship. Whether a pre-dinner gin and tonic or a relaxing massage in the spa, there will be no shock at the end of a relaxing holiday with a highly unfavourable exchange rate.

The credit crunch is still at the forefront of everyones mind, especially with the expense of Christmas still looming. Now, with grey skies and snow on the ground, Britons are looking to sunnier climes to cheer themselves up. Thomson cruises (<http://www.thomson.co.uk/cruise/cruise>) combine the excitement of experiencing different cultures each day, with the warmth of the Mediterranean or the Caribbean but all without having to worry about how the pound is looking against the euro so meaning more value for money than ever before.

Seven nights around the Mediterannean this summer could cost travellers dearly, on a cruise the choice of destinations is there but without having to worry about driving cross country to get to the next port of call. On the Jewels of the Mediterranean cruise (<http://www.thomson.co.uk/cruise/cruise>) onboard Thomson Destiny, guests are whisked from Majorca to Sicily, up to the Amalfi Coast and then to Sardinia, France and Spain before ending up back in Majorca. Prices start from just £729 per person on a full board basis.

To escape the gloom, guests should book now for Summer 2009 cruises by visiting <http://www.thomson.co.uk/cruise> or dropping in to their local Thomson travel agent.

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Notes to Editors:

Thomson Cruises fleet now incorporates Island Escape, taking the fleet to 5 ships – the Thomson Celebration, Thomson Destiny, Thomson Spirit and Calypso.

All ships deal in pounds sterling, however other currency can be converted at the cashiers desk onboard. Although guests can use sterling to pay their final bill onboard, whilst off ship local currency is used.