

# **Alaska Tax Cruise**

**September 18 – 25, 2010**

***(If you are interested, just drop us a short email or call 1-877-438-2057).***

**Important - Register NOW as staterooms are going very quickly. Space is limited.**

## **Course: Tax Update 2010**

- **20 hours** of tax related professional development for Canadian accountants, lawyers and other professionals
- Networking opportunities
- Questions and answers; discussions
- More coverage
- More detail
- Over **400 pages** of written material, plus an electronic version with links to **thousands of pages** of reference material
- Updated tax info via email in December 2010
- Quiz, plus answers, on the material for further professional development
- Speakers: Tom Devaney, CA; Hugh Neilson, FCA; Video Interviews
- Fee: \$899 per person
- Just a thought...could this coincide with a Partner's Meeting?
- Fee for course only payable to Video News Inc.
- Call 1-877-438-2057 to register.

(A 2 day Tax Update 2010 Course will also be held in many cities in Canada in the fall of 2010, details to follow)

## **Cruise: Golden Princess, Inside Passage, Seattle, Sept 18-25/2010**

- **Spouses and family are welcome**
- 7 day Inside Passage Cruise to Alaska
- September 18 – 25, 2010
- Departure: Seattle: September 18, 2010 (Boarding: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.)
- Return: Seattle: September 25, 2010 (Disembarking: 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)
- Ship: Golden Princess of the Princess Cruise Lines (109,000 = LARGE ship)
- **Fee: payable to the Agency you select, see info below**

## Tentative Itinerary

Day	Port	Tax Course	Duration	Course Schedule
Sat., Sept. 18	Seattle, Washington		Depart 4:00PM	
Sun., Sept. 19	At Sea	(7 hrs)	Formal Night (book ahead for the spa)	7AM – 3 PM – 1 hr. lunch
Mon., Sept. 20	Juneau, Alaska	(3 hrs)	Arrive 12:00PM Depart 10:00PM	8 – 11 AM
Tues., Sept. 21	Skagway, Alaska	(2 hrs)	Arrive 6:00AM Depart 8:15PM	8 – 10AM
Wed., Sept. 22	Glacier Bay National Park, Alaska (Scenic Cruising)	(1 hr)	Arrive 6:00AM Depart 3:00PM *	4 - 5 PM
Thurs., Sept. 23	Ketchikan, Alaska	(3 hrs)	Arrive 7:00AM Depart 12:30PM	2 – 5 PM
Fri., Sept. 24	Victoria, British Columbia	(4 hrs)	Arrive 7:00PM Depart 11:59PM *	8AM – 12 NOON
Sat., Sept. 25	Seattle, Washington	Total 20 hrs	Arrive 7:00AM	

**Book early to get the best stateroom available**

### General info:

- Registrants will receive much better value by booking individually. All the details you need are here. Do not feel obligated to use the Video Tax News group booking number with Princess Cruises. As staterooms with all agencies are going quickly, **just book where you can**. Using your own sources or the ones in the table below allow you to receive the best deal and the greatest flexibility.
- Many of you have contacts in the Cruiseline/Travel business. You are welcome to leave this information with our office to pass on to interested parties.
- Note that various agencies (see table below) reserve a block of staterooms and offer different deals. So, if one agency is “sold out”, try another. On board coupons and credits also vary by company. Below is a table of the ones we have contacted. Note: that the cabins are selling out rapidly. e.g. 22 cabins available on Friday, March 5th but only 3 available on Monday, March 8th for a certain category on a certain agency. If you

are interested, please move on it a.s.a.p. as they truly do sell out quickly. The fewer the rooms available, the higher the price rises.

- Meals: For networking purposes, you may wish to request sitting with “Video Tax News” (Princess Group ID No. TV6). We have requested tables both at the early and late sittings. We will be varying the seating during the cruise. We will be submitting a list of participants closer to the departure date. Early seating: 6:00 p.m.; Late seating: 8:00 p.m.
- Included: Great food and service, entertainment, accommodation, taxes and some fees.
- Not included: alcohol/drinks, tipping, transfers, airfare to Seattle, side excursions, gambling, bingo, shopping, spa, some classes, the actual tax course.
- Third person in a cabin – costs about 2/3 of the individual price.
- Children’s programs – 3 yrs old minimum
- Babies – minimum 6 months. Princess reserves the right to limit the number accepted.
- “Obstructed” means there may be a lifeboat or part of one in front of your window. For many, it does not matter whether the view is obstructed or not as you are not in the room much. “Emerald” level has obstructed views.
- All balconies are **not** “obstructed”.
- Inside cabins are just fine if you are not claustrophobic. (mirrors/well designed/comfortable)
- Middle of the ship is probably the best location, but many prefer either the front or the back.
- “Guaranteed” booking means you will get a minimum of your chosen category with a chance of an upgrade. Staterooms are assigned closer to the sailing day.
- Over 55 years of age? Travelled with Princess before? - just ask if there are other discounts
- To register, either book online or contact the names below. They will need the name on passport for each person in the stateroom, birthdate, billing address, email address, deposit due within 24 hours, final payment 30 days before sailing (may vary between agencies, check to confirm)
- Details of cruise are available on websites. (what to wear/bring, formal nights, weather, etc.) [www.princess.com/prepare/index.jsp](http://www.princess.com/prepare/index.jsp)
- Other sites include: FAQ - [www.princess.com/learn/faq\\_answer/index.jsp](http://www.princess.com/learn/faq_answer/index.jsp) ; shore excursions - [www.princess.com/learn/shorex/index.jsp](http://www.princess.com/learn/shorex/index.jsp) ; ports of call - [www.princess.com/learn/ports](http://www.princess.com/learn/ports) ; onboard experience - [www.princess.com/learn/onboard](http://www.princess.com/learn/onboard)

### **Sample pricing of available staterooms as of March 9, 2010:**

U.S.\$ p.p. = U.S. dollars per person, taxes and government fees included, based on double occupancy

To: Order Cruise Online	<a href="http://Cruise.com">Cruise.com</a>	<a href="http://Princess.com">Princess .com</a>	<a href="http://Cruisecritic.com">Cruisecritic.com</a>  <a href="http://Cs.cruisebase.com/cs/forms/SailingsResultsPage.aspx?hotdeals=y&amp;skin=321&amp;Sailing">Cs.cruisebase.com/cs/forms/SailingsResultsPage.aspx?hotdeals=y&amp;skin=321&amp;Sailing</a>	<a href="http://Expedia.com">Expedia.com</a>
Inside stateroom  160 sq.ft. Category up to M – II (II is better)	\$699	\$907.23 pp CDN	\$784.67 pp  3 <sup>rd</sup> person 624.67  Sale: Free \$650 Onboard value booklet, \$50 onboard credit.	\$824.64 pp  Category M-II
Oceanview – obstructed  168 sq.ft.	obstructed, Category G – \$834.67 pp  after March 14 - \$875 (Emerald)	\$962.13 pp CDN  Category G  Deposit \$330	Sale: Free \$650 Onboard value booklet, \$50 onboard credit.	\$1074.67 pp  Category E
Oceanview – not obstructed 168 sq. ft. Category EE	Category EE) - \$1014.67 pp  after March 14 - \$1074 Category EE  Regular windows  \$1094 Category D “guarantee”  D - \$1354	\$1199.23 CDN  Category D  Deposit of \$571  Limited availability	\$1329.67 pp  3 <sup>rd</sup> person 724..67  Sale: Free \$650 Onboard value booklet, \$50 onboard credit.	\$1182.13 pp  Category EE  Sale before March 14:  Free \$325Princess Value Coupon Book
Balcony (no obstructions) 214-257 sq.ft.	Balconies (category BD and BB ) - \$1149.67 pp  After March 14 –  \$1399.67 pp Category BD  \$1434 pp Cat. BC	\$1622.13 pp  Category BD  Deposit \$594	\$1414.67 pp  3 <sup>rd</sup> person 824.67  Category BC  Sale: Free \$650 Onboard value booklet, \$50 onboard credit.	\$1224.67 pp Category BC  \$1622 Category BD  \$1666 Category BC  Sale before March 14:  Free \$325Princess Value Coupon Book
Mini Suite – 323 sq.ft., Category AC		\$1952.13	\$1649.67 pp	\$1374 pp

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			Sale: Free \$650 Onboard value booklet, \$50 onboard credit.	
Contact Person	Ima Sutton <a href="mailto:isutton@cruise.com">isutton@cruise.com</a> 1-888-333-3116 EXT 439	1-800-774-6237	David	Sylvia Chalmers
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		TV6		780-822-9283

Click on [www.princess.com](http://www.princess.com) to see sample rooms, amenities, public areas, sample side excursions.

**Booking Info for Cruise:**

**Either book online (top row of table) or telephone (bottom row of table).**

**You will be required to supply: the names of the occupants as they appear in their passports, their birthdates, mailing addresses, email addresses, credit card info for deposit. Just check to confirm their cancellation and price adjustment policies.**