

SOME SENIOR TRAVEL RESOURCES*

Organizations and Tour Companies

AARP Travel Center. www.expedia-aarp.com 1-800-675-4318: Discounts on flights, hotels, tours, cruises and vacation packages.

Earthwatch. www.earthwatch.org 1-800-776-0188: Volunteers become short term citizen scientists, helping field research projects worldwide, including wildlife and ecosystems, ocean health, climate change and archaeology and culture.

Eldertreks. www.eldertreks.com 1-800-741-7956: Small group adventure travel for people over 50. 5 activity levels from easy to challenging.

Fred.Olsen Cruise Lines. www.fredolsencruises.com 011-44-0845-163-3167: A Norwegian owned British owned Company. Caters to mostly British travelers over 55 and to families. No single supplement for solo cabins.

Gate 1 Travel. www.gate1travel.com Large group tours: US, International and afloat. Also, small group active itinerary tours with Discovery Tours by Gate 1.

Global Volunteers. www.globalvolunteers.org 1-800-487-1074: Short term volunteers help with community development and projects that support children worldwide. 20 percent of their volunteers are 70 or older.

Go Ahead Tours. www.goaheadtours.com 1-877-260-2041: Tours for adults of all ages. Groups of 14 – 35. US and International.

Grand Circle Travel. www.get.com 1-800-221-2610: Land tours and cruises for people over 50. Low cost or free single supplements.

Grand European Travel. www.getours.com 1-888-522-3950: Guided tours and river cruises.

Holland America Line. 1-877-932-4259. A large fleet of ships sailing worldwide. Sailings include families and couples over 30, but the majority of cruisers are usually retirees.

Odysseys Unlimited. www.odysseys-unlimited.com 1-888-370-6765: Small group travel for seniors. 12 to 24 guests.

Overseas Adventure Travel. www.oattravel.com 1-800-955-1925: Small group (10 to 16) adventure travel for people over 50. No single supplement.

Road Scholar. www.road scholar.org 1-800-454-5768: A non-profit organization providing educational travel experiences for older adults. Several thousand US, international and at sea programs. 5 activity levels from easy to challenging.

Senior Tours Vacations. www.seniortours.com 1-800-227-1100: Escorted US motorcoach vacations and European river cruises.

Silversea Cruises. www.silversea.com 1-888-978-4070: Luxury cruises. Also a listing of travel agents.

Vantage Travel. www.vantage travel.com 1-888-514-1845: River cruises, small ship cruises and escorted land tours. Low cost or free single supplements.

Viator. www.viator.com 1-702-648-5873: Day trips, sightseeing tours, museum tours and more, US and worldwide.

Viking Cruises. www.vikingcruises.com 1-855-338-4545: River cruises since 1997. Ocean cruises beginning spring 2015. Caters to couples.

Women Traveling Together. www.women-traveling.com 1-800-795-7135: Maximum group size: 18 women. Difficulty rated in percentages. Example: 75% easy; 15% moderate; 10% strenuous. Room share guaranteed. Travelers paired by age. Singles available at extra cost.

The Cruise Marketplace. www.cruisemarketplace.com 1-800-826-4333: Deals on Cruises.

Websites with Useful Information for Seniors

www.about.com Search “Senior Travel”. Articles and information about many aspects of travel for seniors.

www.independenttraveler.com Travel deals and other information for seniors.

www.travelsense.org Travel planning, travel tips and a listing of qualified travel agents across the US.

www.smartertravel.com/columns “Seniors on the go” columns by Ed Perkins.

www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/travel/senior Senior travel articles, programs, tours, volunteer opportunities and senior travel websites.

www.goldenyearstravel.com Information on home exchanges.

www.onetravel.com/flights/senior-travel-deals Senior deals on airfare.

www.dunhilltraveldeals.com/travel-themes/travel-over-50 Deals on cruises, resorts, hotels and vacations.

www.cruise critic.com Search “best cruises for seniors”, Information on cruises.

www.travelwithchallenge.com Seniors travel magazine. Travel news and creative tour opportunities for seniors as well as other information such as volunteer vacation listings.

www.discounts.aarp.org Click on Travel, then “discounts on senior travel”.

www.goeco.org/tags/senior-volunteering Volunteering in humanitarian, wildlife or conservation projects.

www.smartertravel.com Search “Senior volunteer vacations” for article “Giving back: Affordable volunteer vacation for mature travelers.”

www.nytimes.com Search “Reaching Out on the Road” by Stephanie Rosenbloom, NY Times Travel Section, February 8, 2015. Article about safely connecting with people when traveling alone.

Some Senior Travel Books

Guide to Home Exchange by Sam and Judy Robbins (2013). How to swap your home for free accommodations around the world.

Seniors Travel Tips: Make the most of your Senior Status in your Travels by Bronwyn White (2011). How you get the best deals and discounts on senior travel.

65 Things to Do when you Retire: Travel Edited by Mark Evan Chimsky (2013). 65 essays by writers and travel experts. Personal experiences and advice.

Travelling for the over Sixties by Timothy Blewitt (2013), a British author. Information and advice for the adventure traveler including a long directory of useful websites.

Travel for Seniors made Easy: Staying Alive @ 65 by Mike Eicher (2013). Travel advice and personal anecdotes.

Travel Secrets for Seniors by Adele Thomas and Ely Lazar (2014). Advice for senior travelers, including disability and health issues, and a list of online resources.

Some Travel Insurance Companies

Allianz Global Assistance. www.allianztravelinsurance.com 1-866-884-3556.

CSA Travel Protection. www.csatravelinsurance.com 1-877-243-4135.

HTH Worldwide. www.hthtravelinsurance.com 1-888-243-2358.

Travelex. www.travelexinsurance.com 1-800-228-9792.

TravelGuard. www.travelguard.com 1-800-826-4949.

Travel Safe Insurance. www.travelsafe.com 1-888-885-7233.

Travel Resources for People with Disabilities and Chronic Medical Conditions

Accessible Journeys. www.disabilitytravel.com 1-800-846-4537: Worldwide wheelchair cruises and tours for disabled people, their friends and family.

Flying Wheels Travel. www.flyingwheelstravel.com 1-877-451-5006: Tours and cruises for travelers with disabilities, chronic illnesses, slow walkers and mature travelers. Charges a single supplement on most tours.

Sage Traveling. www.sagetraveling.com 1-888-645-7920: European accessible travel for people with all kinds of mobility issues-- wheelchair and scooter users, cane and walker users and senior travelers.

Access-Able Travel Source. www.access-able.com Information about travel with a special need, including information about travel agents specializing in travel with disabilities.

www.cruise critic.com Information about best cruises for seniors with disabilities. Also, articles about cruising with oxygen, heart disease or diabetes. Go to “Search” in upper right hand corner of home page.

www.disabled-world.com/travel/ Information and trip planning resources for disabled travelers.

www.heart.org Search “Travel and Heart Disease”. Advice for travelers with heart conditions.

www.nationalmssociety.org Search “Travel with ms” for travel tips.

www.kidney.org Search “Travel with kidney disease” for travel tips.

www.joslin.org Search “Travel with diabetes” for travel tips.

www.mda.org Search “Travel with neuromuscular disease” for travel tips.

www.travelguide.org Travel information for people with disabilities.

www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/travelers-disabilities-and-medical-conditions Information about TSA Cares Help Line, a line to assist travelers with disabilities and medical conditions.

www.disabled-world.com/travel Information on wheelchair and slow walkers travel.

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