

✦ Commander-in-Chief Carol Whitmore's Membership Trip ✦

A Journey to Remember — August 30 to September 6, 2026

Carol has truly outdone herself with this unforgettable itinerary! From the ancient wonders of **Rome, Florence, and Sicily**, to the charming coastal gems of **France**, and ending with the vibrant energy of **Barcelona**, this trip is a cultural feast and a scenic masterpiece.

Sailing aboard the **Norwegian Epic**, you'll enjoy world-class amenities, entertainment, and luxury — it's not just a cruise, it's a floating resort.

Cruise Highlights

- **Dates:** August 30 – September 6, 2026
- **Ship:** Norwegian Epic, Norwegian Cruise Lines
- **Route:** Italy → Sicily → At Sea → Italy → France → Spain
- **Military Discount:** 10% off cruise fare via the Military Appreciation Program
(Refer to the attached document for instructions on signing up for discount)

Pre-Trip Rome Extension (*Optional*)

Immerse yourself in the timeless beauty of Rome before the cruise begins. This exclusive extension includes:

- **3 nights in Rome** at a centrally located hotel
- **Guided tours** of iconic landmarks and cultural treasures
- A **wreath-laying ceremony** at the **Rome American Cemetery**, honoring fallen heroes in a moving tribute

Accessibility Note: Due to space constraints, please be aware that reaching the tour buses and sightseeing locations will involve considerable walking. Regrettably, this group does **Not** provide **ADA-compliant** buses. If you utilize a walker or foldable wheelchair, it is your responsibility to maintain pace with the tour group.

Post-Trip Barcelona Extension (*Optional*)

- **While no group arrangements have been made, we're more than happy to assist if you'd like to extend your stay in Barcelona.**
- Whether it's booking extra nights, arranging tours, or helping with transportation, we're here to make your extended adventure smooth and memorable.

Travel & Insurance Tips

- **Airfare:** Book early; payment is due at time of airline reservation
- **Trip Planning:** Decide on arrival and departure extensions before booking flights
- **Insurance:** Strongly recommended for both land and cruise portions (two separate providers)

We look forward to hearing from you — and Carol's greatest wish is that this journey becomes a collection of lasting memories for everyone involved. Let's make it unforgettable!

For reservations, questions, or assistance with planning, please reach out soon — space is limited, and memories await!

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7-night Mediterranean Cruise sailing from Rome-Barcelona August 30-September 6, 2026



Cruise Package Includes:

- Round-trip transfers (airport ↔ ship)
- 7 nights aboard the **Norwegian Epic** (*Balcony cabin*)
- **More at Sea Beverage Package**
- **More at Sea Specialty Dining** (*3 meals*)
- Gratuities (tips)
- \$50 shore excursion credit
- 2 exclusive **VFW Group cocktail parties**
- Valid passport required — must be valid **6 months after return**

Day	Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
1	Aug 30	Civitavecchia (Rome), Italy	—	4:00 PM
2	Aug 31	Salerno (Naples), Italy	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
3	Sep 1	Messina, Sicily	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
4	Sep 2	<i>At Sea</i>	—	—
5	Sep 3	Livorno (Florence), Italy	7:00 AM	10:00 PM
6	Sep 4	Villefranche-Sur-Mer, France	7:00 AM	6:00 PM
7	Sep 5	Marseille (Provence), France	7:00 AM	5:00 PM
8	Sep 6	Barcelona, Spain	6:00 AM	—

Reservation made by Veterans Travel Service

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NCL Military Appreciation Program Instructions

If you qualify for Norwegian Cruise Line's Military Appreciation Program (MAP), you must complete your MAP registration before submitting your buy-in form.

Reservations cannot be finalized until MAP registration is complete

NCL account — quick steps

1. Go to www.ncl.com and click **Register** (top right).
 2. Enter your **legal name** and **date of birth** (no nicknames).
 3. When prompted, answer **Latitudes member?** select **No** for new **registration (do not create a second Latitudes account if you already have one).**
 4. When asked **Are you working with a travel agent?** select **Yes**.
 5. Add **email**, **phone**, and **create a password**; save your login information.
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ID.me verification — quick steps

- Create an ID.me account at www.id.me if you don't already have one; verification is required to join NCL's Military Appreciation Program.
 - Veterans need their **separation date**; spouses need the veteran's **enlistment and/or separation date(s)** for verification.
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Enroll in the Military Appreciation Program

1. Log out of NCL, then open www.ncl.com/military.
 2. Click **Log in to My NCL** (center of the page) and sign in with your NCL credentials.
 3. When prompted, sign in to **ID.me** and **allow** ID.me and NCL to share verification data.
 4. Once verification completes, your Military Appreciation status will be tied to your My NCL account and displayed under **Account** (top right) as **Military Appreciation** when you're logged in.
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Key benefits and rules

- Verified members receive a **10% discount** off the cruise fare portion; program is open to active service members, veterans, spouses, and certain dependents (U.S. and Canadian eligibility details listed on NCL).
 - The discount applies to the verified member's entire stateroom and is limited to one stateroom per verified member per sailing.
 - You only need to verify with ID.me **once**; the status remains linked to your My NCL account for future bookings.
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Troubleshooting and support

- If ID.me issues occur, visit ID.me help at <https://help.id.me/hc/en-us> for verification guidance.

NORWEGIAN CARE

Administrator:	Aon Affinity
Insurance Company:	Nationwide®
Emergency Assistance Provider:	CareFree Travel Protection™



File a Claim:
www.aontravelclaim.com

NorwegianCare Travel Protection Plan Details

- Cancellation protection is provided by Norwegian Cruise Line in all states except NY. In NY, Trip Cancellation is underwritten by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company
- Travel Insurance Benefits are underwritten by Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company
- Emergency Assistance services are provided by CareFree Travel Assistance™

NorwegianCare

Coverage for trip cancellation, trip interruption and trip delay.

NorwegianCare provides reimbursement for the prepaid, nonrefundable, unused portion of your vacation should you need to cancel or interrupt your vacation due to unexpected illness, injury, job termination and other covered reasons as listed in the plan. The plan also covers additional out-of-pocket expenses for meals and accommodations, as well as for travel expenses to catch up to the vacation due to covered travel delays.

Best of all, if your reason for cancellation is not covered for cash reimbursement under the plan, we provide you with a 90% NorwegianCare cruise credit for a future cruise.

VFW Commanders Membership Trip

Dates: August 30, 2026 - September 6, 2026

Cruise Line / Ship: Norwegian Cruise Line - Norwegian Epic

If you qualify for Norwegian Cruise Line's **Military Appreciation Program (MAP)**, you must complete your MAP registration **before submitting this form**.

Which Conference are you a member/s of?

Full Legal Name (as shown on passport): _____

Date of Birth: (DD/MM/YYYY): _____ NCL Latitude #

Passport Number: _____ Country of Issue: _____

Date of Expiration (DD/MM/YYYY): _____ **Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months after your return date (valid through March 6, 2027).**

Passport Status (check one): ☐ Valid Passport ☐ Pending Passport Application

Emergency Contact (Name & Phone): _____

Full Legal Name (as shown on passport): _____

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Name Badges (First and Last)

Please print the name exactly as you want on the badge.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Mailing Address for Travel Documents

Important: Only **one package per cabin** will be mailed. Please select the designated recipient below.

- **Recipient Name:** _____
- **Street Address:** _____
- **City, State, ZIP:** _____
- **Phone Numbers:** Home: _____ Cell: _____
- **Email Address:** _____

Rates & Cabin Information

- Rates are determined by **cabin category**.
- **Triple occupancy cabins** are very limited and will be requested when available.
- **ADA cabins** are on a request-only basis.

Rate Includes

- Round-trip transfers **Rome ↔ Barcelona** (included only if air is booked through Veterans Travel; otherwise \$79.00 per person round trip if using airline miles).
- **7 nights aboard the Norwegian Epic**
- **More at Sea Beverage Package**
- **More at Sea Specialty Dining Package** (3 nights)
- **More at Sea Wi-Fi Package** (150 minutes)
- **\$50 excursion credit per cabin**
- **\$100 onboard credit per cabin**
- **Prepaid gratuities (tips)**
- **Taxes and port fees**

Cruise Insurance

- **Insurance:** Yes _____ No _____
(Cost: \$124.08 per person, based on Balcony Cabin)

Bedding Preference

- 1 Bed _____
- 2 Beds _____

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Cabin Pricing and Occupancy

MAXIMUM OF 3 PASSENGERS PER CABIN

Cabin Type	Occupancy	Price per Person
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Balcony Cabin Double Occupancy		\$1,750.00
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Balcony Cabin Single Occupancy		\$2,912.00
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Balcony Cabin Triple Occupancy		\$1,350.00
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Special Requests

If you wish to arrive earlier, extend your stay in Rome or Barcelona, or have other requests, please contact **Veterans Travel Service (VTS)** directly at **(800) 325-9377**

Credit Card information:

Credit card type: Mastercard ____ Visa ____ American Express ____ Discover ____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Cardholder Signature: _____ Date: _____

Billing Address: _____

Email address: _____ Phone number: _____

Credit Card information:

Credit card type: Mastercard ____ Visa ____ American Express ____ Discover ____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Cardholder Signature: _____ Date: _____

Billing Address: _____

Email address: _____ Phone number: _____

Credit Card information:

Credit card type: Mastercard ____ Visa ____ American Express ____ Discover ____

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Cardholder Signature: _____ Date: _____

Billing Address: _____

Email address: _____ Phone number: _____