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STARTING EARLY

This year's trip journals are going to start out differently. Like in Ft. Lauderdale FL. And go a little farther, like Cartagena, Columbia. And go a little slower, like a cruise ship travels.

An opportunity arose to go thru the Panama Canal, so I went! Bonnie declined, so I went anyhow. The ports visited were, Grand Cayman, Cartagena, Panama Canal, Puntarenas, Costa Rica, Huatalco, Acapulco, Cabo San Lucas, and San Diego. The ship was the Celebrity Infinity and the cruise was 14 days.



The weather was perfect this time of the year. The most surprising was the growth of Cartagena and Huatalco. In fact every port had grown by leaps and bounds!

The thing that challenged this OLD MAN, was the size of the modern large ships. At my age, you find yourself planning every waking moment around how many times you have to walk from one end of the ship to the other! You could walk a few miles a day if you did not plan ahead!

The food was good, but I ate judiciously and only gained 2 pounds in the two weeks. Bonnie and Vicki drove down and met me in San Diego. All that is left is to get home and wash the clothes for the next trip.

Dave