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MEDITERRANEAN

MUSIC CRUISE

with **The French Family Band**
and **Pete Denahy**

aboard the luxurious **Celebrity Constellation**

31 May – 17 June 2024

Rome; Florence/Pisa; Portofino; Naples; Messina (Sicily); Brindisi,
Dubrovnik (Croatia), Kotor (Montenegro), Split (Croatia), Ravenna, Mestre/Venice



Includes
Drinks Package
(\$130 per day)
and included
Wi-Fi
(\$30 per day).

*Cabins (and various categories of
cabins) on Celebrity Constellation
book out early, so book now to
avoid disappointment.*

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The Mediterranean Music Cruise, with The French Family Band and Pete Denahy, is a wonderful opportunity to cruise on the luxurious Celebrity Constellation, enjoy outstanding live country music & comedy, and experience the unforgettable sights of the Mediterranean region. The cruise is fully escorted and includes sightseeing tours in Rome, Venice, and all ports of call. Best of all, the John Howie Mediterranean Music Cruise includes a host of exclusive concerts, pre-dinner drinks performances, & other special music-related events.



Itinerary

DAY 1 Friday 31 May 2024

Depart Australia on your international flight to Rome.

Depart Australia

DAY 2 Saturday 1 June 2024

Flight arrives in Rome. Transfer by coach to our hotel in central Rome. *Overnight:* Hotel California, Rome. (-)

Rome

DAY 3 Sunday 2 June 2024

Morning: Sightseeing coach tour of Rome, with local guide. See the Colosseum. Visit the Pantheon (Rome's best preserved ancient building). Also visit the Trevi Fountain, and The Spanish Steps. *Afternoon:* Free time for you to explore Rome at your leisure. *Evening:* Enjoy Commencement of Tour Dinner, at one of Rome's excellent restaurants, including a few informal songs from The French Family Band and Pete Denahy. (B,D)

Rome



Trevi Fountain

DAY 4 Monday 3 June 2024

Morning: Visit The Vatican, with local guide, including St Peter's basilica and the Sistine Chapel. *Afternoon:* We will be transferred to the waterfront to board Celebrity Constellation. After settling into your cabin, come out on deck and watch as the ship slips its moorings. The ship departs Rome at 5pm. *Evenings:* Enjoy fabulous on-board dining. The main dining room offers mouth-watering meals served in an elegant setting. (B,D[dinner on the ship])

Embarkation

DAY 5 Tuesday 4 June 2024

Today we visit Florence and Pisa. Enjoy a coach tour, with local guide, through the beautiful Tuscan countryside. Visit the wonderful Renaissance city of Florence and the historic city of Pisa. In Florence visit Duomo, the richly decorated domed cathedral that dominates the city's skyline. Also visit Ponte Vecchio (14th century bridge, lined with shops). In Pisa see the famous Leaning tower. *Evening:* Back on board Celebrity Constellation, enjoy a Welcome Aboard Drinks Party. This will be an opportunity for you to meet and chat with our exclusive cruise performers, tour managers, and other tour group members.

Florence/Pisa/Tuscany

DAY 6 Wednesday 5 June 2024

Today we visit the beautiful seaside village of Portofino, in the northern Italian Riviera region. Enjoy a walking tour, with local guide, including a visit to the Church of St Martin. You will then have free time to explore the village. You may wish to do the short, but steep, walk to the Castello Brown hilltop fortress. Amazing views of Portofino from the fortress. *Evening:* Back on the ship, enjoy our 1st on-board Pre-Dinner Drinks session, with entertainment by one of our exclusive music cruise artists.

Portofino



Portofino

DAY 7 Thursday 6 June 2024

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea. Today will be an excellent opportunity for you to explore the ship's fantastic facilities and many activities. *Morning:* Enjoy our 1st exclusive on-board concert, featuring Pete Denahy. *Afternoon:* Enjoy our 2nd exclusive on-board concert, featuring The French Family Band. *Evening:* Every evening, on-board, enjoy high quality Celebrity Constellation entertainment, including Broadway-style shows, comedy shows, etc.

At Sea



Amalfi

DAY 8 Friday 7 June 2024

Today we visit the historic city of Naples, in the south of Italy. Enjoy a coach tour of the Pompeii / Sorrento / Amalfi Coast region, with local guide. The Amalfi Coast is one of the most beautiful & spectacular coastal drives in the world. We will visit the fascinating ruins of Pompeii. Ancient Pompeii, destroyed in AD79 by an eruption of Mt Vesuvius, lay buried under rock and ash until the 18th century. When excavations began, in 1748, a city frozen in time was revealed. We will take a tour of the ruins. *Afternoon:* Visit the beautiful Amalfi coast town of Sorrento. Free time to explore Sorrento and gaze at the legendary Isle of Capri. Celebrity Constellation sails at 6pm.

Naples

DAY 9 Saturday 8 June 2024

Today we visit Sicily, the large island near the 'toe' of the 'boot' of southern Italy. Enjoy a sightseeing coach tour of the historic port city of Messina and the beautiful town of Taormina, with its ancient Greek Theatre, and wonderful views of the sea and Mount Etna (Europe's highest active volcano). *Afternoon:* Back on the ship, enjoy a fun-filled Music Quiz. Great prizes for the winning teams! *Evening:* Enjoy our 2nd Pre-Dinner Drinks session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.

Messina, Sicily

DAY 10 Sunday 9 June 2024

Morning: Prior to our arrival in Brindisi, enjoy a Music Industry Forum (question & answer session) with The French Family Band and Pete Denahy. They will give us insights into their lives as musicians and share some wonderful stories. Today we visit Brindisi, a port city on the Adriatic Sea. Enjoy a coach tour of Brindisi and surrounding region, with local guide, including visit to an excellent museum – the Museo Archeologico Provinciale Francesco Ribezzo. The region features vineyards and artichoke & olive groves. *Evening:* Enjoy our 3rd Pre-Dinner Drinks session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.

Brindisi



Dubrovnik

DAY 11 Monday 10 June 2024

Today we visit Dubrovnik, which is known for its rich history and culture, stunning architecture, & picturesque landscapes. The city's Old Town (a UNESCO world Heritage Site) is encircled with massive stone walls, completed in the 16th century. Enjoy a walking tour of Dubrovnik, with local guide. Also, you may like to go for a walk on the Walls of Dubrovnik (optional) which offers fabulous views... the shimmering Adriatic Sea on one side, and the picturesque Old Town on the other. *Evening:* Enjoy our 4th Pre-Dinner Drinks session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.

Dubrovnik, Croatia



The French Family Band

Country music just sounds better when performed by a family. And no one does it any better than The French Family Band. Husband-and-wife duo, Camille and Stuie, became a much loved Country music duo in Australia, before the family moved to Nashville in 2019. Stuie is an outstanding guitar player and Camille has a beautiful, once-in-a-generation voice. Sonny (16) has become a virtuoso guitarist that holds his own with his Dad, and his pure voice blends with his Mother as only families can. With over 15 million views on Youtube and 40 million on Facebook, The French Family Band has gone from strength to strength since moving to Nashville. Their dreams came true in April 2023 when they made their debut performance on The Grand Ole Opry and received a standing ovation.



Pete Denahy

is a musician and comedian from Yackandandah, Victoria. He is an outstanding singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and raconteur. Pete cut his teeth with Melbourne band, the Ploughboys, in the mid '90s and went on to tour as fiddle player and comic with Slim Dusty, from 1998 to 2002, in Slim's Travelling Country Band. Pete's biggest hit is Sort of Dunno Nothin', which went viral on YouTube. Pete is a five time Golden Guitar winner at the Australian Country Music Awards. He hosts music tours to Japan each year, where he plays bluegrass and country music from Kumamoto to Tokyo.



Pre-dinner drinks entertainment sessions

7 nights on our cruise we will have pre-dinner drinks events, exclusively for those on our music cruise. Each of these get-togethers features a performance by one of our music cruise acts (around 7 or 8 songs). These performances, less formal than the main concerts, are always very memorable and have become a special feature of our music cruises.

DAY 12 Tuesday 11 June 2024

Kotor, Montenegro

This morning we sail up the picturesque Bay of Kotor (a submerged river canyon, with high mountains on either side) to the town of Kotor, Montenegro. The town was founded by the Romans in 168 BC and conquered by the Venetians in the 15th century. The port of Kotor was built by the Republic of Venice and is surrounded by impressive city walls. Enjoy a walking tour of Kotor, with local guide, followed by free time. *Evening:* Enjoy our 5th Pre-Dinner Drinks session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.

DAY 13 Wednesday 12 June 2024

Split, Croatia

Today we visit Split, the largest city on the Croatia coast, founded in the 3rd or 2nd century BC. *Morning:* Enjoy a walking tour of the Old Town area, with local guide, including a visit to Diocletian's Palace (built in the 4th century). The Old Town of Split is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. *Afternoon:* Free time. You may wish to walk, or take a taxi (optional), to the Marjan Hill lookout, for wonderful views of Split and the ocean. *Evening:* Enjoy our 6th Pre-Dinner Drinks session, with entertainment by one of our music cruise artists.

DAY 14 Thursday 13 June 2024

At Sea

A relaxing day at sea. *Morning:* Enjoy our 3rd exclusive on-board concert, featuring The French Family Band. *Afternoon:* Enjoy our 4th exclusive on-board concert, featuring Pete Denahy. *Evening:* enjoy our final Pre-Dinner Drinks session, featuring all of our music cruise artists.



Kotor



Venice

DAY 15 Friday 14 June 2024

Ravenna

Celebrity Constellation arrives in Ravenna, northern Italy, at 6am, and we disembark. Ravenna dates back to at least the 5th century BC. It is known for its late Roman and Byzantine architecture, and particularly the colourful early Christian and Byzantine mosaics adorning many of its central buildings, such as the octagonal Basilica di San Vitale. *Morning:* Enjoy a tour of Ravenna, with local guide. *Afternoon:* Travel by coach to the Venice/Mestre area (Mestre is on the mainland, just across the water from Venice). *Evening:* Spend the evening in colourful Venice. We will travel to Venice, and back to Mestre, by water taxi. *Overnight:* Leonardo Royal Hotel, Mestre. (B[on the ship])

DAY 16 Saturday 15 June 2024

Venice

We will spend the day in Venice. *Morning:* Enjoy a boat tour of the Grand Canal (one of the major water-traffic corridors in Venice). This is a great way to see Venice. See Ponte di Rialto, the largest bridge on the Grand Canal. After the boat tour you are free to explore Venice at your leisure. You may wish to visit St Mark's Basilica (free) or the Doges' Palace (optional), or maybe catch a water taxi or vaporetto to one of the nearby islands (e.g., Burano or Murano). All activities today optional, except for the boat tour of the Grand Canal and transport to and from Venice. *Evening:* Back in Mestre, enjoy an End of Tour Drinks Function, including a few informal songs from The French Family Band and Pete Denahy. (B,EndOfTourDrinks)

DAY 17 Sunday June 16 2024

Departure

Travel to airport to commence flights back to Australia.

DAY 18 Monday June 17 2024

Australia

Arrive back in Australia.



Celebrity X Cruises®

Celebrity Constellation

Experience luxury at every turn on this fabulous cruise liner. Enjoy unforgettable spaces, world-class amenities, and all the distinct features that make a Celebrity Cruises vacation so incredible. Celebrity Constellation, with 1,065 Staterooms, carries 2,184 guests and 997 crew. There are 12 passenger decks – 7 with cabins.

Fantastic value. Nothing more to pay.

The Mediterranean Music Cruise represents amazing value. There are no additional extras; port and handling charges, cruise taxes and gratuities are included in the one great price.

Don't worry about coming alone

About a third of people on the cruise travel alone. We will match people in twin-share cabins when available, saving you the single supplement. John Howie and Gill Delaney will be looking after you, to ensure you are not left out. There will be group activities almost every day.

The advantages of the Mediterranean Music Cruise

Four fabulous country music concerts, plus seven pre-dinner drinks entertainment events, all available only to those who book on the Mediterranean Music Cruise. The cruise is fully escorted and will be a great fun holiday with plenty of activities. Each evening you will dine with the group at our reserved tables. You won't need to book your own on-shore excursions, as we have our own on-shore excursions organised (coaches, guides, etc.), exclusively for our tour group.

Clothing on board Celebrity Constellation

During the day, casual clothing is typical, although shorts and swimwear are not permitted in the restaurants. On at least two nights on every cruise, Evening Chic applies. Evening Chic attire is replacing Formal attire. While dressier than Smart Casual, Evening Chic is intended to be less dressy than Formal attire. Women should feel comfortable wearing a cocktail dress or a skirt, pants or designer jeans with an elegant top and men should feel comfortable wearing pants or designer jeans with a dress shirt, button-down shirt or sweater. A sport coat or blazer is optional. 'Evening Chic' means that you can get glamorous and be sophisticated in your own way. If you would like to still wear a tuxedo or formal gown on Evening Chic nights, you absolutely should.

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Prices per person in Australian Dollars

Cabin / Description	Deck	Twin share	Single Fare
I2 Inside	2,3	\$ 10,995	\$ 14,995
I1 Prime Inside	6,7,8,9,11	\$ 11,095	\$ 15,095
O2 Ocean View	2,3	\$ 11,195	\$ 15,595
O1 Prime Ocean View	2,3,6,7	\$ 11,295	\$ 15,695
V3 Balcony	7,8	\$ 12,195	\$ 17,495
V2 Balcony	6,7,8	\$ 12,250	\$ 17,450
V1 Prime Balcony	7,9	\$ 12,295	\$ 17,495
C2 Concierge Class Balcony	7,8,9	\$ 12,995	\$ 18,995
C1 Concierge Class Balcony	7,8,9	\$ 13,095	\$ 19,095
Included port and handling charges		\$ 523	\$ 1103
Included ship gratuities		\$ 314	\$ 314
Included Classic Drink Package – per day		\$ 130	\$ 130
Included Wi-Fi – per day		\$ 30	\$ 30
Air taxes will be added to invoice		\$ 215	\$ 215

Included in the Mediterranean Music Cruise/Tour:

- Economy-class air travel from Melbourne/Sydney/Brisbane to Rome, and return from Venice. Please speak to our consultants about departures from Perth.
- 11 night cruise on Celebrity Constellation in the selected cabin category. All meals and entertainment on Celebrity Constellation.
- 4 nights' accommodation in centrally located first-class and moderate first-class hotels, with private facilities, on twin-share basis – 2 nights in Rome; 2 nights in Mestre/Venice. 4 breakfasts. 1 dinner (Commencement of Tour Dinner, in Rome). 1 End of Tour Drinks Function, in Mestre (drinks are "included"). Hotel taxes and service charges.
- 4 exclusive on-board concerts: 2 x The French Family Band; 2 x Pete Denahy.
- 7 exclusive Pre-Dinner Drinks sessions, with entertainment provided by our exclusive music cruise artists.
- Welcome Aboard Drinks Party, Day 5. Drinks are "included" (i.e., complimentary).
- The French Family Band and Pete Denahy accompany you on the whole cruise/tour.
- Entry to all sightseeing attractions mentioned in the itinerary, except for those marked "optional" or "own expense". If the itinerary says "see" a particular attraction, it means we simply see it, rather than paying for entry and "visiting" it.
- Sightseeing tours, with local guides, in: Rome; The Vatican; Florence/Pisa; Portofino; Pompeii/Sorrento/Amalfi Coast; Sicily; Brindisi; Dubrovnik; Kotor; Split; Ravenna; Venice.
- Transport by luxury, air-conditioned motor coach throughout. All airport/hotel transfers.
- Water taxi transport Mestre to Venice, return, Fri. evening June 14, 2024.
- Transport from Mestre to Venice, return, Sat. June 15, 2024.
- Grand Canal sightseeing cruise, Venice.
- Tour leadership by John Howie, of The Howie Brothers. Also, Gill Delaney will come on the cruise/tour as assistant tour leader, as long as we receive a reasonable number of bookings.
- Cruise taxes and port & handling charges.
- Ship gratuities, classic drink package and basic wi-fi on cruise.

Not included in the price:

- Insurance – travel insurance is strongly recommended.
- All items of personal nature, such as drinks, room service, laundry and phone calls. Please note: drinks are not "included" at the 7 Pre-Dinner Drinks sessions.
- Meals and drinks, unless specified in the itinerary. Meals included are marked B,D,L, 'morning tea', etc., in brackets, at the end of each day's text in the itinerary. All meals are "included," on the ship, so no need to mark those meals, at the end of each day's text.
- International airport and departure taxes above the rate quoted.
- Domestic flight connections to and from departure and arrival cities.

You can extend your stay at the end of the tour (or start of the tour) for minimal extra cost. Please check with us for other tours, car hire, hotels, bed and breakfasts, etc.



The tour manager will be John Howie. John was a secondary school music teacher for 23 years (he taught Kylie Minogue). He and his twin brother, Graeme, perform as The Howie Brothers. John has been leading successful music tours for 26 years. John Howie is passionate about his Music Tours and every tour is the result of a huge amount of thought and 'attention to detail'. He has been organising Music Tours since 1995, and his tours are full of travel/sightseeing 'gems' and unforgettable music highlights. John knows the best music venues to visit and the best performers to see.



The assistant tour manager will be Gill Delaney. Gill is an accordion/piano/ukulele/mouth organ player from Wangaratta. She has played in bands most of her life, and knows a million tunes. Her evening singalong sessions have been a very popular feature of previous John Howie/Travelrite music cruises and they will be happening again, most nights on this cruise. The sessions are open to everybody on the ship and people are encouraged to bring their instruments & voices and join in. John Howie will join Gill for these singalong sessions.

General Information and Booking Conditions

It is important that all tour participants have a basic level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.



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DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: A non-refundable deposit of \$900 per passenger should be sent with a completed Travelrite International booking form that lists your requested cabin category. As soon as the booking is confirmed, (usually within 24 hours), a cruise confirmation advice will be posted to the client. The confirmation advice will contain all details. Final payments are due to be paid to Travelrite International 90 days prior to the commencement of the Mediterranean Music Cruise. A 1.5% administration fee applies to payments by credit card.

CANCELLATION CHARGES: Number of days before sailing.

Days prior to Departure	Cancellation Fee
Over 90 days	\$900
90 days or less	100% of full fare
Non appearance/no written notice	100% of full fare

REFUNDS: This cruise is based on arrangements which do not allow for any refunds in respect to sightseeing, accommodation, meals or other services not utilised after the respective tour has commenced.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: All passengers will require a valid passport. If not an Australian passport holder, check with Travelrite International for visa requirements.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Adequate travel insurance is highly recommended to cover cruise members for the consequences of unforeseen events during the cruise and for cancellation fees that could result from events such as illness, accident, death etc.

BAGGAGE: Passengers qualify for a 20kg free baggage allowance on flights to join or return from the cruise.

MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS: The cruise arrangements have been made on the basis of a minimum number of passengers travelling. In the event that less than the required number of passengers have confirmed their booking 90 days from the date of departure, Travelrite International reserves the right to cancel the tour, giving a full refund of monies paid, or offer arrangements to proceed with the tour at a modified fare.

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DELAYS AND UNFORESEEN EVENTS: You engage Travelrite International to book this tour on your behalf and you acknowledge that Travelrite International acts as your agent for the purpose of making contracts between you and the various providers of accommodation, transportation and other services that comprise the tour. Travelrite International may without reference to you provide or make available to you, or may as your agent engage any third party to provide or make available to you, any good or service which Travelrite International reasonably believes is necessary for your benefit to maintain the tour itinerary, repatriate you or otherwise accommodate, transport or sustain you in circumstances in which the tour itinerary fails wholly or partly for any reason. You appoint Travelrite International your attorney for this purpose.

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HOW TO BOOK: Bookings can be made by completing a booking form and sending it with a deposit of \$900 per person to:

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