

MEET THE PRESS

Anita Dunham-Potter- MSNBC.com, Tripso and ExpertCruiser.com –

Anita Dunham-Potter is a cruise journalist and consumer advocate. Her articles offer advice and insight for travelers who want all the facts to be informed. Dunham-Potter is a cruise ombudsman for ExpertCruiser, Tripso and MSNBC.com.

In addition to the aforementioned columns she has penned numerous columns for the Boston Globe, Dallas Morning News, Miami Herald, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Fodor's, Smarter Travel, along with numerous trade publications such as Travel Agent and TravelAge West.

She has also been featured as a cruise expert on CBS' "The Early Show" and CNBC.

David Molyneaux- Travel Maven

David Molyneaux, blogger of The Travel Maven (TravelMaven.typepad.com) and editor of TravelMavens.net (TravelMavens.net), is an award-winning writer, editor and lecturer who has been guiding his readers through the intricacies and opportunities of U.S. and international travel for 25 years.

From his first-hand reporting across the United States and in more than 80 countries on six continents, Molyneaux offers his newspaper and Internet readers expertise in all areas of travel, especially cruises and golf resorts. He has sailed on dozens of ships, out of ports in the Caribbean, Alaska, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and South Pacific. For more than 24 years, Molyneaux was travel editor of The Plain Dealer in Cleveland.

Paul Motter – CruiseMates.com

Paul Motter is the editor of CruiseMates.com, one of the leading online cruise travel guides for consumers. Established in 1999, CruiseMates reaches 200,000 avid cruise enthusiasts every month. In 2006, CruiseMates was acquired by Internet Brands, a Los Angeles Nasdaq-listed corporation (Sym: INET) that also owns the cruise Web site Cruisereviews.com reaching approximately 100,000 visitors/month. Motter is also the lead contributing reporter for CruiseReviews.

Lynn and Cele Seldon- Freelancers

Lynn and Cele have spent more than 20 years covering all aspects of travel writing and photography. Lynn completes a majority of the writing and photography, while Cele maintains the website and handles all photography post-production, marketing, and trip research.

They often cover cruise travel for a wide variety of publications including Cruise Travel, Porthole, CruiseCritic, AAA magazines, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, and many in-flight magazines. They were bitten by the cruise ship bug more than 10 years ago and now frequently heed the call of the sea, with completed cruises and assignments in Antarctica, the Caribbean, Europe, Asia, Alaska, and Canada.

Gene Sloan - USA TODAY

Gene Sloan writes about cruising for USA TODAY, the nation's top-selling newspaper, and oversees USA TODAY's online cruise site, The Cruise Log (cruises.usatoday.com). Sloan's stories also are distributed by the Gannett News Service to more than 80 other U.S. newspapers with a combined circulation of more than five million.

Sloan has written about travel for more than 15 years and has spent more than 1,000 days on the road. He helped launch USA TODAY's first travel section, the weekly "Go" section, in 1995 and the weekly "Destinations & Diversions" section in 1998. Prior to writing about travel, Sloan covered the television industry for USA TODAY, and he also has served as an editor in the paper's Life section.

Alan Whitt - Freelancer

Alan Whitt is an award-winning journalist of 32 years, who developed a passion for cruising just 12 years ago. Since then he has written newspaper articles on cruising for The Tennessean newspaper in Nashville and many of Gannett's 90-plus other publications.

In the past, as senior editor at The Tennessean, Alan's cruise writing was more of a "second job." In an effort to devote more time to his love of cruising, Alan now writes strictly on a freelance basis since leaving the newspaper.

Alan came to Nashville in 2005 after five years at ESPN, the Worldwide Leader in Sports, where he won two Emmy's for his work on the network's signature show – SportsCenter.

Susan J. Young – SouthernCruising.com

Susan J. Young is editor and publisher of SouthernCruising.com, an online travel newspaper that covers cruising from the U.S. South; her Captain's Blogbook can be accessed from the front page of that site, as well as on Wordpress. In addition, Young is senior contributing editor of cruises and tours for Travel Agent magazine.

She is also a member of the Society of American Travel Writers and her articles have appeared in major national publications. She specializes in cruise, tour and airline coverage. She's a veteran of 60-plus cruises. Prior to becoming a writer, she was a former director of public relations-marketing for US Airways.