

Be part of John Howie's and Travelrite's outstanding 2018

Caribbean Music Cruise

plus Las Vegas, Miami & New Orleans

aboard the luxurious **Celebrity Equinox**

20 September to 10 October 2018



With
**Adam Harvey,
Camille and Stuie
& Andy Toombs**

Including Exclusive
Concerts

Las Vegas, Miami, New Orleans, USA; Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas;
St Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands; St Johns, Antigua; Bridgetown, Barbados;
Castries, St. Lucia; Philipsburg, St Maarten.

Experience the spectacular beauty of the Caribbean
whilst enjoying the luxury of the Celebrity Equinox



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The Caribbean Music Cruise/Tour, with John Howie, will be a wonderful opportunity to cruise on Celebrity Equinox, listen to fabulous music, and enjoy the scenic highlights of the beautiful Caribbean region. Also, spend time in three of America's most colourful and interesting cities... Las Vegas, Miami, & New Orleans! The cruise/tour is fully escorted and includes sightseeing coach tours in most ports of call. Best of all, the Caribbean Music Cruise/Tour has many musical highlights, including 3 on-shore 'Afternoon Drinks' performances and, on the ship, 5 exclusive concerts and 5 Pre-Dinner Drinks performances, featuring Adam Harvey, Camille and Stuie, & Andy Toombs.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Thursday September 20, 2018

Departure/Las Vegas

Depart Australia on our flight to Los Angeles. Arrive same day (we cross international dateline). On arrival in L.A., travel by coach, through the Mojave Desert, to Las Vegas. See lots of Joshua trees and, in the distance, the San Gabriel and San Bernardino Mountains. On arrival in Las Vegas enjoy panoramic coach tour. See the incredible casino/hotel/entertainment complexes that line the famous Las Vegas 'strip' and see the historic Welcome to Las Vegas neon sign (1959). **Overnight:** The LINQ Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas.

DAY 2 Friday September 21, 2018

Las Vegas

Today is a free day in Las Vegas. John Howie will take those interested on a walk around some of the fabulous casino/hotel/entertainment complexes near our hotel (e.g., Paris, The Venetian, Caesars Palace). Alternatively, you may wish to go on an optional tour to the Grand Canyon (by air & coach). **Evening:** Attend a Las Vegas show of your choice (optional). John Howie will organise for those interested to attend Vegas! The Show. (B)

DAY 3 Saturday September 22, 2018

Miami

Morning: Transfer to the airport for our flight to Miami, Florida. Miami is a major centre and a leader in finance, commerce, culture, media, entertainment, the arts, and international trade. For more than two decades the Port of Miami has been the number one cruise passenger port in the world. **Overnight:** Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, Miami. (B)

DAY 4 Sunday September 23, 2018

Miami

Morning: Visit the Everglades National Park. Enjoy an airboat ride, with guide. Learn about this unique eco system. Fabulous swamp scenery, lush vegetation, & lots of interesting wildlife. **Afternoon:** Return to Miami and enjoy a sightseeing tour with local guide. See the city's colourful streets lined with art deco architecture, and explore vibrant neighbourhoods like Little Havana, South Beach, & Coconut Grove. **Evening:** Commencement of Tour Dinner. Adam Harvey, Camille & Stuie, and Andy Toombs will do a few songs. (B,D)

DAY 5 Monday September 24, 2018 Board the Celebrity Equinox

Morning: Free time, for sightseeing & shopping. Around mid-day we will be transferred to board Celebrity Equinox. After settling into your cabin, come out on deck to watch as the ship slips its moorings and departs on our fabulous 11 night cruise. Dinner will be served from 6pm.

DAY 6 Tuesday September 25, 2018

At sea

Our first day at sea. During the day explore the fantastic facilities and many activities available on Celebrity Equinox. **Morning:** Enjoy our 1st exclusive concert, featuring Camille & Stuie. **Evening:** Enjoy our Welcome Aboard Drinks Party, where you will be formally introduced to Adam Harvey, Camille & Stuie, Andy Toombs, John Howie & Gill Delaney. After dinner, enjoy high quality Celebrity Equinox entertainment, including Broadway-style shows & comedy shows.

Pre-dinner drinks entertainment sessions

Some evenings on the cruise there will be Pre-Dinner Drinks entertainment, with each session featuring one of our exclusive Music Cruise acts. These informal sessions (perhaps 7 or 8 songs) have become a very popular feature of our music cruises.

DAY 7 Wednesday September 26, 2018

At sea

Morning: Enjoy our 2nd exclusive concert, featuring Adam Harvey. **Afternoon:** Enjoy our exclusive Music Industry Forum (question & answer session). Your chance to ask Adam Harvey, Camille & Stuie, Andy Toombs and John Howie about their careers and the music industry. **Evening:** Attend our 1st Pre-Dinner Drinks session, including entertainment by one of our exclusive country music performers.

DAY 8 Thursday September 27, 2018 Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas

Our first port visit is St. Thomas. In the 18th century it was at the centre of a bustling pirate culture, as swashbuckling pirates such as Blackbeard and Drake traded stolen wares in the port of Charlotte Amalie. **Morning:** Sightseeing tour along Skyline Drive (fabulous views of St. Thomas Harbour). Then travel to Mountain Top, the highest point on St. Thomas (spectacular views of Magens Bay, one of the most beautiful beaches in the world). Then travel 213 m (700 ft) above the sea via skyride (gondola) to Paradise Point and see the most fantastic vistas in the Caribbean. **Afternoon:** Free time, before Afternoon Drinks session, on-shore, including informal Adam Harvey performance.



DAY 9 Friday September 28, 2018

St Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

St. Croix, the largest of the U.S. Virgin Islands, is a tropical dreamland complete with stunning beaches, clear aqua-blue ocean water, a small rain forest and rolling green hillsides. The Danes purchased St. Croix in the 1700s at which time the slave trade and sugar cane fields thrived. Today, the Danish influence is still apparent in the island's architecture and language. **Morning:** Sightseeing tour, including Christiansted National Historic Site, where we visit Fort Christiansvaern (a yellow brick fort built by the Danes to ward off pirates and threats from other countries), the Steeple Building (the island's first church which now serves as a museum), & the Old Danish Customs House. We will also see the stately Government House. **Evening:** Back on the ship, enjoy our 2nd Pre-Dinner Drinks session, including entertainment by one of our exclusive country music performers.

DAY 10 Saturday September 29, 2018

St Johns, Antigua

The first settlement on the island we now know as Antigua was not established until the 1600s, when English settlers arrived. Antigua remained a part of the British Commonwealth until its independence in 1981. Today, Antigua is a popular vacation destination, attracting tourists with its ideal climate, amazing landscape, leisurely lifestyle and 365 beautiful beaches. Today we have a free day to explore the island. Late **Afternoon:** Back on the ship, enjoy our 3rd exclusive concert, featuring Andy Toombs, with John Howie as a guest.



ADAM HARVEY

Country singer Adam Harvey is one of the biggest names in the Australian entertainment industry. Although his voice and style are not unlike Johnny Cash or Elvis, he's still uniquely Adam Harvey. In recent years he's won 7 Golden Guitars at the Country Music Awards in Tamworth, including Male Vocalist of the Year and Album of the Year awards. With his captivating personality and laconic humour he has already gained significant recognition overseas, performing three times on the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville and winning the prestigious Country Music Association (of America) Global Artist Award in 2007.



CAMILLE AND STUIE

Camille Te Nahu and Stuart (Stuie) French are one of the hottest duos in Australian country music. Stuie has long been one of Australia's finest guitar pickers, touring and recording with all the stars of Australian country music as well as touring with his own band, the Feral Swing Katz. Camille, with a voice as smooth as velvet, was the backing singer of choice (for Kasey Chambers, Gina Jeffreys, Beccy Cole) before launching her own successful career. Between them, Camille & Stuie have won 3 Golden Guitar awards at Tamworth.



ANDY TOOMBS

Andy is an outstanding electric bass player, guitarist, and singer. He constantly tours Australia, as a backing musician, with Australia's top country music stars, including Adam Harvey, Beccy Cole, Bill Chambers and Catherine Britt. Andy has also done a huge amount of overseas travelling, some as a musician, but much of it because he is passionate about seeing the world. On this cruise/tour Andy will be the bass player in the Caribbean Music Cruise backing band, but he will do lots of individual performing as well.

**Fantastic value
– nothing more to pay**

The Caribbean Music Cruise/Tour represents amazing value. There are no costly extras; everything is included in the one great price, including port & handling charges and gratuities!

DAY 11 Sunday September 30, 2018

Bridgetown, Barbados

Barbados gained independence from the British in 1966, but the English influence is still apparent with this stunning Caribbean island. **Morning:** Sightseeing tour, including visits to Hunte's Gardens, St. John's Church (1831), Gun Hill Signal Station (to see the famous lion sculpted from limestone by Captain Wilkinson [1868]), and historic Charles Fort. **Afternoon:** Free time, before Afternoon Drinks session, in port, with local music.

DAY 12 Monday October 1, 2018

Castries, St. Lucia

St. Lucia has been a part of the British Commonwealth since 1803. Prior to that, it was often occupied by the French; this is evident in much of the island's culture. **Morning:** Sightseeing tour of St. Lucia, including lush green mountain & rainforest scenery, banana plantations, fishing villages, the charming coastal town of Soufrière, and Castries (the capital). **Afternoon:** Free time. **Evening:** Back on the ship, enjoy our 3rd Pre-Dinner Drinks session, including entertainment by one of our exclusive country music performers.

DAY 13 Tuesday October 2, 2018

Philipsburg, St Maarten

When the Spanish closed their colonial fort on St. Maarten in 1648, a few Dutch and French soldiers hid on the island and decided to share it. Soon after, the Netherlands and France signed a formal agreement to split St. Maarten in half, as it is today. **Morning:** Sightseeing tour including Philipsburg, which displays its Dutch heritage in its architecture and landscaping. We will travel past the Great Salt Pond and through the countryside to Orient Bay, for lovely views. Pass through several quaint towns and fishing villages before arriving at Marigot, the French capital. **Afternoon:** Free time, before Afternoon Drinks session, on-shore, including informal Camille and Stuie performance.

DAY 14 Wednesday October 3, 2018

At sea

Enjoy a relaxing day at sea. **Morning:** Get together with our country music performers for a fun-filled Music Quiz, with great prizes for the winning teams. **Afternoon:** Enjoy our 4th exclusive concert, featuring Camille & Stuie. Around 5pm: Enjoy our 4th Pre-Dinner Drinks session, including entertainment by one of our exclusive country music performers.

DAY 15 Thursday October 4, 2018

At sea

Another relatively free day for you to enjoy the wonderful facilities of the ship. **Afternoon:** Enjoy our final exclusive country music concert, featuring Adam Harvey. **Evening:** Enjoy our final Pre-Dinner Drinks session, including entertainment by our exclusive country music performers.

DAY 16 Friday October 5, 2018

New Orleans

Morning: Our ship arrives in Miami, & we disembark. We then transfer to the airport for our flight to New Orleans, birthplace of jazz. We also say farewell to Camille & Stuie. On arrival in New Orleans check into our hotel in the famous French Quarter. **Evening:** Dinner at leisure. We then explore the French Quarter, including a walk along Bourbon Street. You may wish to take in the outstanding traditional jazz music at Fritzel's jazz bar or Preservation Hall (both optional). **Overnight:** Wyndham French Quarter Hotel, New Orleans.

Day 17 Saturday October 6, 2018

New Orleans

Morning: Sightseeing coach tour of New Orleans, with local guide, including visit to an above ground cemetery. See the beautiful mansions on St Charles Avenue, and see some of the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina (2005). See outstanding street performers Hack Bartholomew (trumpet/vocal) and Doreen Ketchens (the 'clarinet queen'), if available. **Afternoon:** Free time for you to explore the French Quarter at your leisure. **Evening:** Visit Frenchmen Street, on the edge of the French Quarter. This is where much of the best New Orleans music is these days, at venues like The Spotted Cat, Apple Barrel and Snug Harbor. (B)



Day 18 Sunday October 7, 2018

New Orleans

Morning: Visit the Louisiana State Museum, to see the Katrina Exhibition and Mardi Gras Exhibition. **Late Morning:** Attend a colourful gospel church service, featuring outstanding southern gospel music, in New Orleans. **Afternoon:** Free time. **Evening:** End-of-Tour Creole Dinner, followed by further exploration of the French Quarter. (B,D)

Day 19 Monday October 8, 2018

Depart

This morning we are transferred to New Orleans airport for our flight to Los Angeles and onto Australia. (B)

Day 20 Tuesday October 9, 2018

In flight

Day 21 Wednesday October 10, 2018

Arrive Australia

We arrive in Australia today and tour arrangements conclude.

CELEBRITY EQUINOX

Celebrity Equinox captures the very essence of premium cruising. Shimmering in sophistication, she'll exceed your expectations as soon as you step aboard. Delight in your choice of ten exceptional dining venues. Relax in chic and spacious accommodations. With every imaginable comfort, you are bound for an unsurpassed, truly luxurious cruise experience.

Clothing on board Celebrity Equinox

Attire on board Celebrity Equinox is 'Smart casual & above'. Shorts and swimwear are not permitted in the main restaurants. Nights at sea are classified as 'evening-chic' for dress purposes and nights in port are classified as 'smart-casual'. 'Evening-chic' replaces formal nights and means that you can be glamorous and sophisticated in your own way. The self-service restaurants are casual attire.

Don't worry about coming alone

We normally have about a third of people on the cruise travelling alone. We will match people in twin-share cabins when available, saving you the single supplement. You won't be left alone....the Travelrite tour managers will be looking after you. There will be group activities every day.

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Price per person in Australian dollars

Cabin	Description	Deck	Twin-share Fare PP	Single Supplement
11	Interior	7	\$ 8595	\$ 2450
10	Interior	8,9	\$ 8650	\$ 2465
9	Interior	9,10,11	\$ 8695	\$ 2490
8	Oceanview	3	\$ 9325	\$ 3140
2D	Balcony Obstructed	6	\$ 9450	\$ 3260
2C	Balcony Obstructed	6	\$ 9475	\$ 3280
2B	Balcony	6,7	\$ 9550	\$ 3325
1C	Deluxe Balcony	8	\$ 9595	\$ 3370
1B	Deluxe Balcony	8,9	\$ 9650	\$ 3390
C3	Concierge Balcony	9,10	\$ 9750	\$ 3490
C2	Concierge Balcony	9,10,11,12	\$ 9850	\$ 3615
A2	Aqua Balcony	11	\$ 9850	\$ 3615
A1	Aqua Balcony	11	\$ 9950	\$ 3680
Included port & handling charges			\$ 645	\$ 1125
Included gratuities			\$ 203	\$ 203
Air taxes as of 16/11/17			\$ 205	\$ 205

Availability: All cabins are subject to cabin availability. Please call for fares and information on other cabin categories. A limited number of cabins are available for single occupancy. There are fare reductions available for the 3rd and 4th persons sharing in some cabins. **Please call for details on 1800 033 436.**



John Howie 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 22 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.



Gill Delaney (accordion/ukulele/harmonica player from Wangaratta) has played in dance 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. Gill's singalong sessions will be happening, once again, on the Caribbean Music Cruise. The sessions are open to everybody on the ship and people are encouraged to bring their instruments and voices and join in. Gill will be coming on the cruise/tour as assistant tour manager, as long as we get sufficient bookings.

Included in the tour price:

- 11 night cruise on the Celebrity Equinox in the selected cabin category
- 7 nights' accommodation in first-class hotels with private facilities, on a twin-share basis (2 nights Las Vegas; 2 nights Miami; 3 nights New Orleans)
- All meals, entertainment and service charges on the Celebrity Equinox
- Meals during the 7 land-based days (Las Vegas; Miami; New Orleans), breakfast daily, 2 dinners
- 5 exclusive concerts by Adam Harvey, Camille & Stuie, and Andy Toombs
- 5 Pre-Dinner Drinks entertainment sessions
- 3 on-shore Afternoon Drinks sessions, with musical entertainment
- Sightseeing tours of Las Vegas, Miami, St. Thomas, St. Croix, Barbados, St. Lucia, St. Maarten, and New Orleans
- Transport by luxury first-class coach in all land-based and 'in port' parts of the cruise/tour
- Tour leadership by John Howie
- Tour management by Travelrite International
- Welcome Aboard Drinks Party (drinks 'complimentary' at this event)
- Economy-class air travel from Melbourne/Sydney/Brisbane to Los Angeles and return from New Orleans
- Economy-class air travel from Las Vegas to Miami, and from Miami to New Orleans
- Port and handling charges and gratuities on the Celebrity Equinox

Not included in the price:

- Travel insurance
- Additional travel arrangements not detailed in the itinerary. These will be quoted for separately
- Passport and visa fees (a USA visa waiver is required)
- Meals and drinks not specified in the itinerary. You have to pay for alcoholic drinks, and some non-alcoholic drinks, on board the ship. However, there are lots of soft drinks, teas, & coffees, on the ship, that you don't have to pay for. Drinks are not included (i.e., not 'complimentary') at our Pre-Dinner Drinks and Afternoon Drinks events
- Lunches, morning teas, & afternoon teas, when not on the ship
- Air ticket taxes and fuel surcharges

General information and booking conditions

International touring can involve a considerable amount of walking and stair climbing in the places visited and it is important that all tour participants have a level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.

TOUR OPERATORS: Travelrite International Pty Ltd (ABN 64 005 817 078) is the tour organiser. Celebrity Equinox is operated by Celebrity Cruises and the cruise arrangements are subject to the terms and conditions and general information detailed in the Celebrity Cruises 2018 brochure. All passengers must complete the cruise personaliser on the Celebrity website and a Travelrite International booking form.

DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: A deposit of \$800 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. Final payments are due to be paid to Travelrite International 90 days prior to the commencement of the fly/cruise. A 1.5% administration fee will be added to all payments made by Visa and Mastercard a 3% fee will be charged for American Express and Diners Club cards.

CANCELLATION CHARGES: Number of days before sailing.

Days prior to Departure	Cancellation Fee
Over 90 days	\$800
90 - 61 days	25% of full fare
60 - 46 days	75% of full fare
45 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 Fly/Cruise/Tour arrangements for the 2018 Caribbean Music Cruise/Tour 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.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Travelrite International Pty Ltd is the tour organiser. Travelrite International Pty Ltd, its agents, officers, affiliates, and/or suppliers of services, pursuant to or in connection with these fly/cruises, shall act only as agents in making arrangements for hotels, transportation, including transportation by ship, restaurants, or any other service and do not assume any liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, death, loss, accident or delay to person or property due to an act of negligence or a default of any hotel, carrier, restaurant, company or person rendering any services included in fly/cruises, terrorism, acts of God, acts of government or any other authorities. Further, no responsibilities are accepted for any damage or delay due to sickness, pilferage, labour disputes, machinery break-down, quarantine, government restraints, weather or other causes beyond our control. No responsibility is accepted for any additional expense, omission, delays, re-routing or acts of any government authority. Baggage is at owners' risk throughout the fly/cruise. The passage contract between the carriers concerned when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the carriers and the purchasers of these fly/cruises and/or the passengers. The right is reserved to withdraw any fly/cruise and/or make such changes in the fly/cruise as may be found desirable or necessary for the convenience of the parties and the proper carrying out of the fly/cruise. This contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Victoria, Australia and any legal action must be undertaken in the State of Victoria. Attention is also directed

to the terms and conditions of the fly/cruise passage contract with Celebrity Cruises.

HOW TO BOOK: Bookings can be made by completing a booking form and sending it with a deposit of \$800 per person to:



www.musicstours.com.au

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