

Are you ready for a passage?

Yes that's right this month's NFCC cruise will be a passage to Europe. And we only have to go a few miles south on the ICW to get to Palm Coast and the European Village. Join us by land or sea at the Palm Coast Marina June 20th – June 22nd. By sea it's about 3 hours south of the St. Augustine City Marina on the ditch. By land take exit 289 off I-95 and follow the signs to the European Village. The marina is just past the village.

B&B plans to take a couple needed days off and will be leaving Wednesday evening to anchor at Pine Island. Anyone interested in joining us feel free. We'll be anchoring out Wednesday evening and then spending Thursday at the City Marina in St. Augustine. On Friday we will continue on to our cruise destination, Palm Coast Marina. We have been in contact with the staff at the marina and they say there are plenty of slips available. To make a reservation call Palm Coast Marina at 386-446-6370. The Marina's address is 101 Palm Harbor Parkway, Palm Coast, FL, 32137.

Our plans for the weekend are to explore the European Village. Given the many choices of restaurants we will not be cooking on B&B or at the marina. You can find breakfast, lunch, or dinner, in many different cuisines at the village. To get a glimpse of the European Village to go <http://www.evresort.com/>. For those coming by land we have asked about the possibility of a group rate as their accommodations while very nice, are rather pricey. Should the resort extend us a group offer we will pass that information along via e-mail and at the general meeting just before the cruise. Alternative hotels are located just east of I-95 at exit 289.

If you haven't been to the European Village it's a well kept secret and you should make it a point to explore their shops and restaurants. We'll be having food and beverages and listening to entertainment and did I say beverages? There is a triangle shaped big screen and stage in the center which usually hosts live entertainment. We have been told that due to a recent change in ownership they don't have anyone booked. However, there is usually a restaurant or two with their own live entertainment or there is a piano bar.

After recuperating for a couple of weeks we head to Cumberland Island for the 4th of July. Read this month's scoop for details. And as always feel free to call or e-mail you Cruise Captains, B&B.