

SOLOS TRAVELERS

HOW WE FIND OUR TRIPS

Solo Travelers is a group of fun-loving single travelers who enjoy planning and going on trips nearby and around the world. In order for a trip to be considered a "Current Trip" there must be at least 2 of our members signed up for the trip.

The steps we use to get a group together to go on a trip is this:

1. **Research** — Members are responsible to do their own research to find a trip on which they are interested in going. Our website lists a wide range of websites and companies that our members have used to help you in your search.
2. **Choose** — Before bringing the trips to the group, it is recommended that you choose your top 2-3 trips (usually to the same part of the world) so it won't be too overwhelming for the other members.
3. **Print 3 Copies** -- It is best to print at least three copies of your favorite 2-3 trips and bring them to the next meeting. Be sure that your copies include:
 - a. Tour company, ship name, tour name, reference information such as trip #
 - b. Trip overview including number of days/nights, number of meals, etc
 - c. Inclusions such as air, meals, hotels, excursions, transfers, etc
 - d. Written itinerary
 - e. Map itinerary, if available
4. **Use Proposed Trip Form** – Organize your information by using the Proposed Trip Form. Please fill it out prior to the meeting and use it as a guide to prepare for member questions during your presentation. It will accompany a copy of the trip printout(s) in our Proposed Trips Notebook.
5. **Present** — When you arrive at the meeting, tell the moderator that you have a trip(s) to present to the group so that you can be put on the Agenda. When called on, be ready to provide information including that on the Proposed Trip Form.
6. **Meet with Others** — If there is interest in your trip(s), we have found it helpful for those who want to know more to meet outside our regular meetings. These can be conducted in a home, restaurant, park, etc. Often these meetings result in roommate matches, trip decisions, and final arrangements.
7. **Advise the SIG Leader** — In order to keep the membership apprised of the trips our members have chosen to go on, we keep an ongoing list of "Current Trips" which is presented at each meeting. So, please be sure to tell the SIG leader of your plans, so that the list can be updated. Sometimes, more members will join the trip as time goes on.

That is it! — You have successfully set up a trip with Solos Travelers.