





## **CELEBRITY VS. LAND BASED RESORTS**

CELEBRITY CRUISES	HOTEL OR RESORT
New, different unique experience. First time on a cruise for most	Been there, done that. Every year has been just a different hotel/resort
Wake up at a new destination every day	Limited to city activities and views
Forbes travel guide star rated properties	Most are not star rated or provide consistent high service
Self contained floating resort with spectacular ocean views all around	Room and location views vary. Unattractive views.
All space is walkable from venue to venue	Some with incredibly long walks to conference center, or use of golf carts
Room turn down service 1-2 times daily	Some properties do not offer turn down service or is limited to once per day
State of the art fitness facilities and classes available	Small and limited equipment. Some require you to pay resort fee to use
Staff to guest ratio 1:2, all staff stays on the ship	Limited staff at many facilities and they leave the property at night
State of the art AV equipment Included- no extra charge	Pay thousands of dollars daily whether you need for an hour or the full day
Modern conference facility many with sea views - no additional charge	Costly rental fees. Many are dated and tucked in lower levels of hotel
1-2 cocktail parties included. No F&B minimums	Food and beverage minimums and large costs for cocktail parties and space
Indoor and outdoor private function space included	Cost to rent private function venues
All meals included, with full menus and reserved tables at dinner	Additional costs and limited menus for meals
Variety of entertainment and activities included	All entertainment and activities are additional fees and very limited
Multiple restaurant options on board, no need to leave the ship	Limited restaurants at hotel, often need to transport off property
Best team building because attendees are together onboard	Attendees scatter off property after-hours
Smoke free casinos, spas, numerous lounges, duty free shops onboard	Often need to leave the hotel for shopping and activities
Doctor and medical facilities onboard	Could be far from hospitals or medical care
Security- Only guests with proper credentials can board the ship	Anybody can walk off the street onto the property, bars or restaurants
Easiest for meeting planner to choose meals and entertainment	Challenge for costs and location and choices for meals and entertainment
Best ROI with so much Included	30-40% more for the event plus additional costs from expense reports
Cruise contracts are often more liberal than resorts on attrition clauses and have less restrictive cancellation fees	Resorts are very strict on contracts
With the All Included package, WiFi is included every day	Additional charge for Wi-Fi
With the All Included Package, all beverages included; bottled water, soda, specialty coffees teas and alcohol	Large costs for each item purchased throughout the day
With the All Included Package there is no additional attendee expense reports during after-hour networking	Large expense reports for attendee's after-hour entertainment



