

HOW DO I SELECT THE RIGHT SHORE EXCURSION?

It's the ultimate cruiser's conundrum – how to make the most of one's time in port. We asked five Virtuoso travel advisors to share their secrets.

“**F**igure out your top two or three must-see sites and then determine if you'd rather visit them on a group excursion provided by the cruise line, or if you'd prefer to splurge on a private shore event with one of Virtuoso's on-site connections. And remember: Sometimes the best shore excursion is staying on board and enjoying the ship, basically to yourself, while everyone else is visiting the sites!”



Kimberly Wilson Wetty – *New York, New York*



*Rotterdam from
Holland America Line
cruises into Venice.*

“For tailor-made tours, your advisor can arrange an exclusive excursion with Virtuoso's on-site connections. They're capable of creating virtually anything you could think of to do.”

Jon Sutter – *Sarasota, Florida*

“Book any ship excursion early to avoid disappointment. If available, always opt for the Virtuoso Voyager Club excursion [see page 8] – this will normally be the best one on your cruise.”

Bettie Harding Lee – *Houston, Texas*

“When docked overnight or for a full day, secure a private vehicle and travel farther afield so you can also explore less touristy areas away from port.”

Mel Haycock – *Milton, Queensland, Australia*

“Remember that you don't always have to be busy. Some ports are perfect for simply strolling around and soaking up the atmosphere.”

Michael Broadhurst – *Calgary, Alberta, Canada*