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MOTHER'S DAY MINI GETAWAYS IN BOSTON

Treat mom extra special this Mother's Day (May 12) aboard one of Entertainment Cruises Boston's dining and entertainment vessels: the festive Spirit of Boston or the luxury Odyssey. Celebrate with a brunch, lunch, or dinner cruise on Boston Harbor that includes — depending on the voyage you choose — entertainment, an ice cream sundae bar, goodie bags, a balloon artist for the kids, a flower for mom, and views of the city skyline. From \$59.90 for adults and \$35.95 for children. 866-836-3463, <http://www.entertainmentcruises.com/city/Boston/metro>

DEBUT WITH A VIEW IN MAINE

Escape to Kennebunkport and take advantage of the grand opening package offered by the Boathouse Hotel & Marina, a 12-guest-room property located on the harbor side of the Kennebunk River just steps from Dock Square in central Kennebunkport. The Summer Ahoy package (May 15-July 15) includes two nights' accommodations, a Boathouse bag filled with goodies, a one-hour golf cart tour of Kennebunkport (weather dependent), and cocktails for two at David's Kennebunkport, Portland chef and restaurateur David Turin's new 200-seat restaurant. \$399 double occupancy. 877-266-1304, www.boathouseme.com



MOTHER'S DAY CRUISES ARE AVAILABLE IN BOSTON HARBOR.

MEET THE POPE PACKAGE

Join the celebration of the newest bishop of Rome, Pope Francis, on the six-day, five-night Meet Pope Francis package from Perillo's Italy Vacations. The itinerary features a visit to St. Peter's Square, participation in a papal audience at St. Peter's Basilica, a Vatican museums tour (including the Sistine Chapel and Michelangelo's "The Last Judgment"), a day trip to Assisi to learn about St. Francis and visit the basilica, a guided tour of Orvieto, and more. Departure dates: May 6, 13, 20; June 3, 17, 24. From \$879 per person, based on double occupancy. Airfare can be added for additional cost. 800-482-5925, www.italyvacations.com/vacation/meet-pope-francis/

BIKES, BEER, AND OOMPAH BANDS

Celebrate the 180th Munich Oktoberfest next fall on a five-night trip sponsored by the Boston Ski & Sports Club (Sept. 26-Oct.2). The fun begins with biking and touring in Amsterdam, home of the Amstel brewery, followed by a short flight to Munich, a city that welcomes more than 6 million people to its annual festivities. Enjoy beer, food, Bavarian oompah bands, live music, dancing, costume parades, and more. \$2,499 (nonmembers add \$40), includes round-trip airfare, ground transfers, hotels, and a BSSC group escort. Book by June 15 and save \$100 with code: GLOBE100. 617-789-4070, ext. 229, www.bssc.com

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