

Durgan Travel has been serving the travel community in New England for 49 years, originally as "The Durgan Group" at Crimson Travel, then Thomas Cook Travel. In March 1995, we spun off and opened in Stoneham as Durgan Travel Service.

We are a full-service travel agency and tour operator and can provide excellent rates on all domestic and international cruise lines as well. We specialize in mostly or all-inclusive European tours at super low group rates (available for individual travelers as well). Our rapid growth is due to the incredibly priced European tours that we have developed over the last 30 years. Our volume is such that we are a top producer out of Boston's Logan Airport for several of the major European airlines, and our rates with them reflect this.

**THE VALUE WE PROVIDE**

All Durgan Travel tours are promoted with round-trip flights included, while most other tour operators promote their trips "land only" with flights extra. When you compare a Durgan tour to the competition, we include all daily touring and admissions, four-star hotels, and usually include at least two meals daily, and in some instances, lunch and/or wine tastings as well. Each tour is hosted by an expert local guide, who is with the group throughout the itinerary, and we hire local step-on guides at most venues we visit! Quite simply, we have the very best buys in the marketplace, with the highest value! You are not paying for fancy brochures and TV/radio advertising, and Durgan Travel buys our tour arrangements direct in Europe, so we are not paying for a middleman nor for expensive national promotion of our tours! We also have the very best rates on contracted round-trip flights to Europe, due to our high volume. If you compare a Durgan tour with the competition and add up all the touring, meals, and extras, you will realize we have the very best deals and packages! With the competition, you will pay from \$50 to \$80 for a half-day optional tour, and \$90 to over \$200 for a full-day tour. Missing dinners cost on average from \$35 to \$50 per person!

**A FULL-SERVICE TRAVEL AGENCY**

Durgan Travel is a full-service travel agency. We have a retail department that handles individual travel needs: cruises, flights, hotel packages, and other tours. Every day, we receive specials from cruise lines, tour operators, airlines, and resorts. We can book anything from the Sunday travel section, and if we handle your reservations, you have the peace of mind of working with a company you know and trust. Bookings made with one of the online travel sites don't include follow-up service – good luck if a problem arises!

**2019 TOURS**

We are adding 2019 tours to our schedule on a weekly basis! If you do not see the destination of your choice here, or the right dates for your travel, please call us, as we do sell select tour partners' products. It may not be as inclusive and as great a buy as our product, but it will be the very best product in the marketplace outside of our own tours!! Full promotional flyers and reservation forms for all trips and cruises listed on this sheet are downloadable at our website under the "Current Tours" tab.

**GRAND TOUR OF IRELAND**

We'd like to call your attention to our February 14-24, 2019 Grand Tour of Ireland. Ireland's climate is very moderate (snow is a pretty rare occurrence there) so mid-February is a fine time to visit. In 2018, the dates of this trip saw daily highs in the low 50's and it only rained one day! The crowds will be down and the temperatures wonderful for sightseeing.

This beautiful 11-day, 9-night trip includes not just standard Ireland touring but even Northern Ireland, with amazing sights like Belfast and the Giant's Causeway that travelers in the 1970's, 1980's, and even part of the 1990's missed because of "The Troubles" which are now far in the past. This tour is a bargain at \$2889! The trip has flights, transfers, first-class hotels, breakfast and dinner daily and guided sightseeing which includes Bunnah Beg Park, Adare, Killarney, Dingle Peninsula, Ring of Kerry, Blarney, Midleton, Cobh, Glendalough, Dublin, Belfast, Antrim, Sligo, and Galway.

<b>ALL/MOSTLY-INCLUSIVE 2019 TOURS</b>			
<b>AIR, HOTEL, MOST MEALS/TOURS, ESCORT, TAXES, MORE</b>			
<a href="#">Grand Tour of Ireland</a>	2/14-24	11D9N	\$2889
<a href="#">Costa del Sol w/Madrid, Spain</a>	2/16-24	9D7N	\$2999
<a href="#">Classical Greece</a>	2/16-24	9D7N	\$2539
<a href="#">Tuscany w/Cinque Terre</a>	4/11-19	9D7N	\$2939
<a href="#">Florence, Venice, Rome</a>	4/12-20	9D7N	\$2949
<a href="#">Portugal</a>	4/12-20	9D7N	\$2699
<a href="#">Calabria &amp; Puglia, Italy</a>	4/12-21	10D8N	\$2899
<a href="#">Easter in the Holy Land</a>	4/16-25	10D8N	\$3429
<a href="#">Budapest, Vienna, Prague</a>	5/1-10	10D8N	\$3299
<a href="#">Grand Tour of Italy</a>	5/7-18	12D10N	\$3719
<a href="#">Sardinia</a>	5/16-24	8D7N	\$3229
<a href="#">U.S. National Parks &amp; Vegas</a>	5/19-26	8D7N	\$2979
<a href="#">Thailand-Bangkok &amp; Chiang Mai</a>	5/20-31	12D10N	\$3449
<a href="#">Summer in Sorrento</a>	6/29-7/6	9D7N	\$2449
<a href="#">Summer in Sorrento</a>	7/12-20	9D7N	\$2449
<a href="#">Grand Tour of Italy</a>	9/24-10/5	12D10N	\$3719
<a href="#">Memphis &amp; Nashville</a>	9/27-10/2	6D5N	\$2029
<a href="#">Grand Tour of Italy</a>	10/1-12	12D10N	\$3719
<a href="#">Lake Como &amp; Switzerland</a>	10/8-16	9D7N	\$2899
<a href="#">Taormina &amp; Sicily's East Coast</a>	10/11-19	9D7N	\$2899
<a href="#">Tuscany, Cinque Terre, It. Riv.</a>	10/11-20	10D8N	\$2899
<a href="#">Bavarian Christmas Markets</a>	11/29-12/7	9D7N	\$3169

**ALTERNATE GATEWAYS AVAILABLE**

On 99 percent of our tours, the departure gateway is Boston. If you're not in the Boston area, it will be possible to join the group out of an alternative gateway, and our agents can help you with those arrangements. Some of the airlines we work with fly out of hubs in Florida, Atlanta, Chicago, or Los Angeles, as examples, meaning you can fly right out of the U.S. to your destination, often arriving at or around the same time as the Boston flight! And snowbirds- even if you're somewhere south for the winter, you can still join your friends and family from up north right out of a Florida gateway!

## AWARD-WINNING TOURS

Durgan Travel is one of just 13 international companies who have won the Italian Government's "Lo Leonardo Internazionale Award" for our tours to Italy. We also received Alitalia's Golden Wings Award in appreciation of the quality and quantity of our tours.

## VISIT DURGANTRAVEL.COM

We invite you to visit our website- make it a favorite place! One of our **favorite new features** is that our list of available trips (found under the headings "Italy," "Europe & Beyond," and "Cruises") are now **sortable** by destination, date, and price, making it easier for you to find your next trip! Save our site as a "favorite place" because beyond our trips, our "Forms/Information" section contains plenty of helpful information. **If you run a travel group or are interested in starting one**, we encourage you to visit the "Group Leader" tab and "Suggested Itineraries" for a **wealth of travel ideas** worldwide.

## SAFE TRAVELS

We take the safety of our travelers very seriously, and our tours have features that will keep you safer than the average tour. We use local bus companies and have local people on the ground, which makes us seem far less "American" and also gives us better insight into what's going on locally with any disturbances or unsafe areas. Our escorts are in constant contact with their headquarters and are on top of any conditions that might arise on a tour. Additionally, due to the nature of our business, we don't run scheduled departures on any kind of repeated schedule (i.e. weekly) that would be known.

## WHERE TO BEGIN?

**Italy** is by far our most popular destination, and we frequently get first-time European travelers who want to visit this beautiful country. We're often asked where to begin. Our **Grand Tour of Italy** is a way to visit a large section of the country in one tour. For more specific regions, our **Sorrento** tour is so popular we've had to devise alternate itineraries! **Sicily** is a longtime bestseller, **Lake Como with Switzerland** is always popular, and more and more tours are including the Italian Riviera and Cinque Terre.

## CUSTOM GROUP TOURS

We are also a **custom group tour operator**. We work with retiree, social, ethnic, religious, and employee groups on travel promotions, as well as companies on business meetings, conventions, and sales incentives programs. We have contracts with several major airlines in order to acquire the very best fares, and due to our **expertise and buying power**, can create the **best tours** at the **best rates**. For our group customers, we have a full selection of tours to choose from and can customize a trip to a group's exact specifications. If you are associated with a traveling group or would like to put together a group promotion for family, friends, or associates, contact our group department. **We'd love to help you create a successful promotion!** We also work with **religious groups**, be it Israel, the Vatican, or shrines throughout Europe. Tours make ideal fundraisers as well as fostering a great sense of unity. Please share this information with your religious leaders.

## ABOUT THE DURGAN TRAVELER...

This *Durgan Traveler* is updated weekly and emailed periodically to our subscribed clients and posted on our website. If you are not receiving weekly broadcasts from us and have friends or relatives who might be interested in receiving these as well, please email us at [info@durgantravel.com](mailto:info@durgantravel.com). And please "like" Durgan Travel Service on Facebook. Thank you for your **referrals** of other travelers as well!

## CRUISING

We have **many wonderful cruises planned**, including Alaska, Bermuda, Canada and the Caribbean **direct from Boston!** Call soon to

book, as cabins are limited at these rates. Once an allotment sells out (and many do), any available cabins will be more expensive.

## **2018 CRUISE VACATIONS**

RCCL <i>Serenade</i> Boston-Bermuda	10/7-14	CALL
Viking <i>Heimdal</i> French River Cruise/Paris	10/13-24	CALL
RCCL <i>Serenade</i> Boston-Bermuda	10/21-28	CALL
RCCL <i>Serenade</i> Repos. Cruise from BOS	10/28-11/9	CALL
NCL <i>Dawn</i> Repositioning Cruise from BOS	11/9-18	CALL

## **2019 CRUISE VACATIONS**

MSC <i>Seaside</i> Eastern Caribbean	3/2-9	from \$1459
MSC <i>Seaside</i> Western Caribbean	3/9-16	from \$1589
AMA <i>Prima</i> Tulip Time	4/5-13	from \$3899
HAL <i>Nieuw Amsterdam</i> Alaska	5/4-11	from \$2029
HAL <i>Nieuw Statendam</i> Norse Legends	5/26-6/2	from \$2029
Viking <i>Signy</i> Danube Waltz	5/27-6/4	from \$4419
NCL <i>Gem</i> Boston-Bermuda New ship on route!	6/7-14	from \$1299
Windstar <i>Star Pride</i> Iceland	7/1-9	from \$6649
NCL <i>Gem</i> Boston-Bermuda New ship on route!	7/12-19	from \$1369
HAL <i>Veendam</i> Voyage of the Explorers	8/26-9/7	from \$1799
HAL <i>Zuiderdam</i> Panama Canal	10/20-30	from \$2239
HAL <i>Veendam</i> Authentic Cuba	10/23-30	from \$1799
RCCL <i>Serenade</i> Beantown & Beaches	10/28-11/9	from \$1349
NCL <i>Gem</i> So. Caribbean r/t from Boston	11/8-21	from \$1569

**Durgan Travel represents all major cruise lines.** We can create a group promotion for as few as 10 people traveling together. For individuals, we can either combine you with one of our groups on a cruise offering you the group rates, or we can take advantage of the deals the cruise lines send us! Call for a promotional flyer!

## CALL TODAY

**Contact us today!** Arrangements can easily be done over the phone, Internet, and through the mail, if you can't visit us in our Stoneham office. We look forward to the opportunity to be of service to you, your friends, and traveling companions.

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