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The Globus family of brands comprises Globus, Cosmos, Avalon Waterways and Monograms. Each of these companies brings its own twist to escorted travel – and together they are backed by the huge scope and strength of the Globus organization.

In business for over 85 years, with 32 offices around the world, offering you over 400 itineraries in over 70 countries – this is a giant of the tourism world. It is a company with vast experience, huge resources on the ground and everything in place to make your Globus journey special.

Globus seeks to achieve just the right balance of included features and free time, and along the way, tell the stories that bring your destination to life. It all comes together to give you the feeling of being a true local – not just a visitor.

Globus can take care of every aspect of your travel – flights, pre and post tour stop overs, plus an unmatched choice of destinations and touring styles. Globus and Cosmos offer you escorted tours. Avalon Waterways has 13 beautiful river cruise vessels in Europe. And Monograms offers 143 world-wide independent packages that cover all the details for you, including hotels and transportation.

Whether you have a Globus or Cosmos Tour Director or an Avalon Waterways Cruise Director – you will be in good hands with a knowledgeable guide travelling with you every step of the way. On average Globus Tours Directors have 23 years' experience and speak four languages. And even though you are travelling independently with Monograms - your Monograms Local Host is a friend in every city. Website: www.GlobusFamily.ca

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Globus offers more than 225 guided vacations to more than 70 countries on six continents. There are a variety of travel styles (from small group to multi-country tours) plus specialty travel options including Cruise & Tour, Family Travel, Religious Vacations, and more.

A dynamic blend of transportation includes deluxe motorcoach, rail, air, and cruise – Globus makes getting there part of the fun! Did you know the average number of people on a Globus motor coach is 36? You don't have to worry about driving, baggage handling, hotel reservations and the like – you are free to enjoy your journey to the fullest.

You will stay in hotels that are First-class and above, selected to be central locations, right where you want to be. Many great meals are also



included in the package price – plus you have the freedom to experience the local fare as you wish. In this, as in all aspects of your tour, Globus strives for the ideal combination of free time and planned activities.

You won't waste your precious time in line – Globus VIP access means no waiting to see the major sites. Visits which are enhanced by your Tour Director and local guides, and which, incidentally, are included in the cost of your tour.

Thanks to more than 85 years' experience showing people the world, Globus is the most recognized Tour Operator in the industry and recommended by Travel Weekly, Recommend magazine, and Travel Age West. The 97% satisfaction rating amongst Globus customers in post-vacation surveys says it all.

Avalon Waterways

On an Avalon Waterways river cruise, "included" is the name of the game. From spacious outside staterooms with expansive views to Wi-Fi access in your suite. From sparkling wines, regional beers and wines to unlimited lattes and premium coffees. From your choice of enriching shore excursions to VIP access to the must-see sites. It's all included!

The on board experience is superb. At every meal, you'll have the ability to choose from a multitude of dining experiences.

All meals feature the highest-quality local ingredients, hand crafted by true culinary artisans. And all are included at no extra cost - from casual Bistro style dining to the elegant Main Dining Room. From continental breakfast delivered to your own room to Afternoon Tea.

Relax and glide peacefully along Europe's great waterways with 360-degree views of Europe. Avalon Waterways river cruisers offers the most spacious staterooms in Europe with Panorama-style Suite Ships. Most staterooms and suites have a floor-to-ceiling sliding-glass door with a French Balcony that opens right out to the vista before you.

One of the joys of river cruising in Europe is that you arrive right in the centre of some of Europe's great cities. Unlike other cruise operators, Avalon Waterway's preplanned discoveries are included at no extra charge. Thanks to the touring experience of sister company Globus, you are privy to the best, all-inclusive land programs available.

Plus there is great selection of optional excursions to help you further personalize your cruise. Whether it's a classical music concert in Vienna, a visit to a French winery, time at the colossal Romanian



	Parliament building in Bucharest, or a guided bicycle tour through town – you decide how much you want to do, and at what pace, at each stop on your journey.
Monograms	If you are looking for "assisted" rather than "directed" travel if you want independent travel without the hassle of having to make every little arrangement for yourself if you want to have a Local Host to point you to the places that only the locals know: you want to travel with Monograms.
	At its core, a Monograms vacation is a single city or multi-city travel package. Monograms has taken the world's most incredible regions, done all the work to find the must-see destinations within them - and put together amazing itineraries for you to choose from.
	Monograms can take you to Europe, South and Central America, the USA, Canada, Asia, Africa, Australia and New Zealand. From Paris to Peru. From Cambodia to Costa Rica. From Alaska to Alice Springs. From Botswana to Brazil. And from Quebec to Queensland.
	Monograms knows the hotels with the best views, the hotels closest to ancient history - even the hotels with the crispest sheets and the tastiest mints. Most packages give you a choice of carefully screened and selected hotels, right in the heart of your destination.
	Monograms isn't part of the Globus family for nothing. Not only will they help you arrange the world's greatest travel experiences, you can also benefit from VIP access - minimizing lines and wait times. Uniquely with a Monograms vacation, your Local Host is also there to help you - a friendly, knowledgeable insider in each destination to offer hints and recommendations, steer you off the beaten path, and help you maximize every moment of your time.
	And it doesn't stop there! Monograms will get you from Point A to Point B. Whether it's flight arrangements, transfers from the airport to your hotel, sightseeing, or travelling between cities, they take care of your transportation needs and can include it in your package price.
	So you focus on having fun on vacation - while Monograms leverage the Globus network and experience to make all the arrangements for you. It doesn't get more seamless than that for an independent traveller!
Key Points	 Globus has been in business for over 80 years Globus offers more than 150 unique vacation itineraries throughout 74 different countries Globus has perfected their itineraries so that you enjoy a smooth,



	 hassle-free vacation with unrivaled consistence, quality and value. With Globus you get high quality, low price and an abundance of included features all adding up to exceptional value! Globus directors weave together insightful anecdotes, little-known secrets and hands-on experiences to ensure that every journey tells a story.
	 For more information or to book a Globus vacation, contact or visit your preferred travel agent.
History	More than 80 years ago, Antonio Mantegazza bought a rowboat to transport commercial goods across Lake Lugano in Switzerland. Who would have known that rowboat would launch the world's leading guided travel company? Antonio's frequent trips across the scenic lake led him to consider opportunities in a different market: tourism. His entrepreneurial instinct pushed him to gradually acquire some motor coaches to transport tourists around the Lake Lugano area. In 1928, Antonio opened a company specializing in motor coach touring called Globus Viaggi. The company began with a fleet of 12 coaches which operated local excursions for European tourists in Switzerland. By 1950, Globus Viaggi had grown to a fleet of 33 coaches and featured overnight excursions to Rome, Venice, the Dolomites and the French Riviera. For 80 years, the Globus family of brands has been providing a variety of products that address the needs of today's diverse traveler. Whether it's a fully escorted, premium, independent, or river cruise vacation, with Globus family of brands you will get unmatched value and world-class customer service with every journey. Today, the Globus family of companies consists of more than 30 tourism and aviation businesses, serviced by a group of more than 5,000 professionals worldwide. Combined, Globus and Cosmos carry about 500,000 passengers a year
	making the company the leading operator of guided vacations worldwide.
Why Globus?	With Globus, you'll always visit the key sights - the Sistine Chapel, the Colosseum and the Forum in Rome, the Prado Museum in Madrid, Michelangelos's David in the Academy of Fine Arts in Florence, and many others. You'll enjoy many more inclusions like cruises, high-speed trains, local guides, and in Italy's main cities, headsets for clear commentary. They offer twice the number of included features as many competitors, without any additional cost to you. Look for the complete list of their special included features on each tour page in their brochure. Globus not only brings you experience that others simply don't offer, they also ensure that you end up with more time to enjoy the rest of your destination. Most competitors require you to take extra optional



Hotels with Globus	excursions to see these important sights, costing you additional time and money. And if you don't join their excursion, you'll spend most of your time waiting in line. But with Globus, these sights are already included, freeing up the remainder of your time for exactly what you'd like to see. Globus understand the importance of hotel quality to your vacation.
	That's why, unlike most competitors, Globus hotels are First Class and above. And they stand behind their ratings, as confirmed by the hotel & travel Index or national tourist board. For reference they have included hotel rating totals for each vacation in their brochure. The hotels selected are chosen not only for the superior quality but also for their convenient location, and their volume buying power worldwide means unparalleled value for you. For example, all hotels listed on the Monograms Independent Vacations and Leisurestyle vacations are located in the heart of your destination, so you're close to what you want to see. On the Castle villa stays they have special accommodations that are destinations in their own right. You'll be treated like royalty at unbeatable value.
Tour Directors	One of the greatest advantages of travelling with Globus is your Tour Director. Never underestimate the importance of experience. On average, each of their several hundred European Tour Directors has completed more than fourteen seasons on the road, successfully conducting an average of nearly 140 vacations. Globus Tour Directors are experts who have honed the art of taking you inside a destination, so you can rest assured that you're seeing the sights like a local. When you're been travelling as long as they have, you have operations down to an art form. They have spent more than 75 years refining itineraries and procedures and their Swiss Heritage ensures that your trip is trouble free to the last detail. With over 30 offices around the world, they have support when and where you need it, under any circumstances.
Globus Value	Globus includes all the main features of a destination without extra cost. Their volume buying power saves you money. In fact, a whole day of touring with Globus generally costs what you'd pay for just a hotel alone if you plan the trip on your own. Yet they also provide a Tour director, a great variety of transportation, many meals, a rich sightseeing program and much more. Here's a few more value-added items: Free airport transfers: book your scheduled transatlantic flight with Globus and benefit from free transfers Low Air-fares: compare their competitive air-inclusive prices, and business class is also available.



	Discounts abound: group reduction, child reduction, triple room reduction, multiple tour reduction.
	Globus has fifty hosts in London alone to assist you at the airports and hotels
	Professional Tour director while touring, cruise director on River Cruises, local hosts for Monograms
	Hotels listed on tour page. Twin-bedded rooms with private bath and shower, hotel taxes service charges, and tips for baggage handling
	Private Deluxe motor coach with air-conditioning, extra leg room, and emergency washroom while touring
	All tours London- Paris/Brussels & Paris/Brussels-London travel are on the Eurostar
	Globus travel bag and travel documents; Monograms wallet and travel documents
	Headsets included for sightseeing with local guide in Rome, Florence, Venice and Pompeii
Journeys Club	Journeys Club is an exclusive fellowship created for past Globus passengers. It invites you to share your passion for travel with a group of like-minded, experienced Globus globetrotters. Benefits include:
	Exclusive journeys with upgrades, extras amenities and welcome gifts Member-only discounts, Insider information regarding new, upcoming Globus vacations, Quarterly newsletters and E-mail updates with Journeys Club information and promotions, Journeys Club travel merchandise and Travel & destination tips and articles
Children	An adult must accompany travelers who are less than 18 years old on the tour departure date; the child receives a 10% discount on the land tour price. Children under the age of 8 are not allowed on escorted tours, because they are considered too young to enjoy these vacations.
Globus Brand	The Globus brand provides:
"Every journey tells a	- More selection, more included features, more leisure time, more
story"	superior hotels
,	- More once-in-a-lifetime opportunities
	- More Experience – their story began over 80 years ago and ever since
	they've been refining their itineraries and procedures to ensure that
	clients get the most out of their vacation.



	 Many Globus vacations include a welcome dinner to introduce one to the cuisine of the region being visited. More Great Ways to Travel - to give you even more vacation options, many Globus & Monograms Independent Vacations are combinable with River Cruises or with Monograms (on selected departures) No other Tour Operator offers as many means of included transportation as Globus: All high-speed trains in Europe Vignette vacations feature at least one train as a mode of transportation from city to city, so getting there is part of the adventure The newest fleet of deluxe river cruise ships on the main European rivers, the Nile, and Portugal's Douro River Sea cruises in the Mediterranean and the northern seas (including Hurtigruten cruises)
	- Globus offers many vacations for the wine connoisseur - In Oporto enjoy a wine tasting in a Port wine cellar, or at Tuscany's Verrazzano Castle, learn about the fine art of making Chianti.
Globus Awards	- "Best Tour Operator to Europe" Travel Weekly's Reader's Choice Awards three times in recent years - "Best Tour Operator to Europe" TravelAge West magazine
	- "Top Tour Operator to Europe" Recommend magazine
Globus Discounts	 Discount for young travelers: 10% off land arrangements Pay less for your second and subsequent vacations: \$70 off subsequent Globus vacations Discounts available for group travel, young travelers, and triple rooms.
The Cosmos Brand "Turning travel dreams into reality"	Cosmos tours features: - For more than four decades Cosmos has offered savvy, value-minded travelers the most affordable travel packages to the world's most fascinating places - places like the snow-capped peaks of Switzerland, sunny Spain, the ancient splendor of Greece and Egypt, festive France, and the beautiful British Isles For as little as \$75 per day, you can enjoy the benefits of escorted travel, a greater choice of activities, plenty of free time to explore your destination the way you want, and longer stays in key cities so that you can truly immerse yourself in the local culture. So you could be on your way to the vacation experience of a lifetime. Cosmos offers three Vacation Styles: - Regional Discoveries – Focus on a one specific region, in depth packages.
	 Panoramas – Multi-country packages, absolutely the best way to get an overview of Europe Escapes – Vacations of 9 days or less



Stretch Your Vacation Dollar:

- Value-packed vacations at down to earth prices
- They make it easy for singles to travel they accept reservations on a "guaranteed share" basis
- Discount for young travelers: 10% off land arrangements
- Pay less for your second and subsequent vacations: \$50 off subsequent Cosmos vacations

Fascinating Sightseeing & Plenty of Leisure Time
Discover the best ways to see Europe – train rides, cable car ascents,
Aegean cruise ships, scenic day ferries, walking tours with local guides,
private first class motor-coaches.

Cosmos Vacations offer flexibility:

- Joining late and leaving early options with various reductions
- A professional team takes care of you in London
- Extra nights
- Many meals are included in the vacation price
- Cosmos takes care of your hotels, which are superior tour class & tourist- class, however we also feature some first-class hotels.
- In 2010 Cosmos Tours feature the Oberammergau Passion Play as an inclusion

Avalon Brand

Avalon Waterways feature:

- Part of the Globus family of brands, Avalon is backed by 80-plus years of travel expertise, more than 200 professional support staff members in Europe, and 37 offices worldwide, an ongoing collaboration to ensure guest satisfaction that continually raises the bar when it comes to small-ship cruising.
- Offering the newest, quietest, and most spacious ships, state-of-the-art resort-style amenities, and incomparable service by English-speaking crews, Avalon lets you discover Europe, Egypt, China, and the Galápagos Islands in a world-class way.
- Deluxe cruise in an outside stateroom with hotel style beds
- Services of a professional Cruise Director
- Onboard lectures, activities & nightly piano music (Europe)
- Sightseeing with local guides
- Headsets for all guided shore excursions in Europe & Egypt
- Inside visits, including admission charges where applicable
- Dedicated website www.avalonwaterways.ca

Travel in Style on the Youngest Fleet:

- With Avalon Waterways you will sail with the newest ships on the European Waterways, an impressive fleet that averages just two years in age, in fact each year Avalon adds more award winning vessels.



- Also enjoy modern, luxury cruising onboard the Victoria Anna and Victoria Jenna in China, the Royal Lotus in Egypt, and the La Pinta and Santa Cruz in the Galápagos Islands
- These ships all feature elegant interiors with abundant glass, polished metal, and vibrant colors, modern designs with contemporary appointments, state-of the-art technology, personalized service, fine dining, remarkable amenities, and spacious outside staterooms.
- Avalon has a 96% traveler satisfaction rating.

Classic Style, Modern Luxury:

- As experts in travel, Avalon continues to raise the bar when it comes to small-ship cruising. Their fleet of contemporary designed vessels provides the luxury and amenities you desire most in a warmly welcoming and comfortable environment. Whether you're seeking quiet spaces for relaxing, lively common areas for meeting new friends, or a combination of both, Avalon Waterways' well-appointed ships will meet your needs.

Ship features & amenities include:

- Elegant polished metal & glass throughout - Revolutionary engineering – Non-smoking interiors – Internet access – Fine dining - Wine included with dinner – Spacious Sky Decks for sunning - Spacious Sky Decks for sunning – Panoramic picture windows for landscape viewing – The largest staterooms on the European waterways today (172 sq.ft.) – the majority of staterooms have floor-to ceiling-sliding glass doors with French balconies – Hair Salon – Fitness Center – 6-person whirlpool (select vessels) – Lounge & Bar – Complimentary coffee & tea available throughout the day – Elevator (select vessels)

Features exclusive to Avalon's European vessel staterooms:

- Floor-to-ceiling sliding glass doors in most staterooms French balconies in most staterooms
- Flat screen satellite TV & radio Private bathroom with shower Comfortable, hotel-style beds European-style duvets Egyptian super-combed cotton linens Large closets- Mini bar, hairdryer & safe Individual climate control
- Outstanding Service & Exceptional Cuisine The very best land programs – the best local guides - Theme Cruises: Music Theme Cruise on the Magnificent Europe, Wine Theme Cruises on Flavors of Burgundy & Provence, The Legendary Danube, The Blue Danube Discovery
- Cruising on the great rivers of Europe Rhine, Main, Moselle, Rhone & Danube Rivers
- Egypt Nile River Cruises, China's Yangtze River Cruises, Galapagos Islands Cruises



I have personally enjoyed a cruise with Avalon – see my travel blog at: http://christalkstravel.blogspot.com/search?updated-min=2008-01-01T0 0%3A00%3A00-06%3A00&updated-max=2009-01-01T00%3A00%3A0 0-06%3A00&max-results=27 Monograms is a new way to travel independently: **Monograms** "Get more vacation - Monograms is independent travel without the hassles that typically come with "ordinary" independent travel. With Monograms you never from your vacation" have to worry about whether or not your hotel will have your reservation, how to get from here to there, or where to go once you get to your destination. - Monograms is ideal for vacationers who want the freedom of independent travel but who prefer the convenience of a package that takes care of all the details, such as reserving hotels, air arrangements, airport transfers, and even guidance at your destination. - Unlike ordinary independent travel where all the details are left for you to plan, Monograms packages remove the logistical guesswork. They pre-select hotels for you in the heart of your destination and provide you with the services of a local host or service on call. - In Europe, South America, Asia, and the South Pacific their local hosts provide area expertise and insider information, and are available to help answer questions, arrange excursions and city sightseeing, give directions, and direct you to the activities that interest you most for a truly personal, one-of-a-kind vacation. - In North America, Monograms provide you with Service On Call, a toll-free helpline to assist with anything you need throughout your journey—24 hours a day, 7 days a week. - Hotels: Monograms' carefully selected hotels provide the comfort and convenient locations you desire. - Choose from two different levels of hotel packages: Standard or Premium. Then, once you've selected your package, it will be the same throughout your entire trip, regardless of which city you are in. - Packages: Just as the world is wonderfully diverse, so too are Monograms vacations and the memories they create. They offer singleand multi-city packages around the world, including Europe, North America, South America, Australia & New Zealand, and Asia. Their single-city stays are perfect for a short getaway and our multi-city stays are prepackaged in the combinations that are right for you - Flexibility: Monograms vacations deliver ultimate flexibility, so you can travel when you want and at your own pace. Vacation packages vary in length and offer frequent departures, in some cases daily departures, to fit your busy schedule. - You'll also benefit from plenty of free time so you can experience each destination in your own way.



- Dedicated website: www.monogramstravel.ca Monograms Europe Vacations include
- Services of a Local Host City map (s) • Centrally located hotels Transportation between cities Guided sightseeing Ability to add flights to your package Breakfast daily Airport transfers when you purchase air from them
- Add more vacation to your vacation: to give you even more options, several Monograms vacations are combinable with another Monograms vacation or a river cruise with the sister company, Avalon Waterways.
- North America Monograms: Single City & Multi-City Getaways offering single- and multi-city packages in North America's most popular cities. The following is included: Service On Call helpline Transportation between cities (Multi-City Getaways) Conveniently located hotels Ability to add flights to your package Sightseeing Airport transfers when you purchase air City guide(s) & Map(s)
- Rail Getaways: enjoy time exploring popular cities in Western Canada then sit back, relax, and take in the beautiful scenery. The following are included: Service On Call helpline Rail transportation between cities Conveniently located hotels Ability to add flights to your package Sightseeing Airport transfers when you purchase air
- **Hawaii Island Getaways**: relax and experience Hawaii's most popular sights and hidden treasures at your own pace. The following is included:
- Service On Call helpline Rental car (if needed) Conveniently located hotels Hawaii map Sightseeing Ability to add flights to your package
- On The Road Driving Vacations: experience the spectacular landscapes that connect North America's most popular destinations. The following is included: Service On Call helpline Detailed driving directions, mileage, and maps Conveniently located hotels Information about attractions Rental Car (if needed) Ability to add flights to your package

Your Monograms South America, China & Asia, and South Pacific vacation include • Services of a Local Host, • City maps, • Centrally located hotels, • Transportation between cities, • Guided sightseeing, • Ability to add flights to your package, • Breakfast daily, • Airport transfers when you purchase flights

Globus Brochures for 2014

Their brochure portfolio includes no less than 12 brochures:

- Globus Europe
- Globus The Exotic Collection
- Globus Italy and Spain



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	Globus Family Travel
	Cosmos Europe
	Cosmos United States and Europe
	Avalon River Cruises
	Monograms Europe
	Monograms North America
	Monograms Exotics
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