

WHAT'S IN A SHIP NAME

The names of cargo ships of Holland America Line all end in dyk, explains Kees van Buren of *Gemeente Rotterdam*, the city's archives. Since much of the Netherlands is below sea level, the water is kept at bay by the use of dikes or dyks. Therefore, cargo ships were names for certain dyks, like the Schiedyk or the Katsedyk. Passenger ships, on the other hand, were, and are, named after dams. Most of the major rivers in the Netherlands have dams to hold water for irrigation. Hence *Maasdam* is named for the dam on the Maas River; *Amsterdam* for a dam on the Amstel River. *Ryndam* is named for one of the greatest rivers in all of Europe, The Rhine. Call it Rhenus (ancient), Rhein (German), Rhin (French), or Rijn (Dutch), to most it is the Rhine. Through recorded history, at least for 2000 years, it has been the leading waterway in Europe. As the main artery between the heart of Europe and the North Sea, the Rhine fostered the growth of Rotterdam into one of the greatest seaports in the world.

MEAL & BAR HOURS

Please make note of these special hours on departure day:

LIDO RESTAURANT

Continental: 5:30am - 9:00am
Buffet: 6:00am - 9:00am

ROTTERDAM DINING ROOM

Breakfast: 6:30am - 8:00am

HOLLAND AMERICA LINE

In the early part of the 17th Century, Henry Hudson set sail from Holland in a tiny ship called "de Halve Maen." His long voyage across the Atlantic heralded the beginning of Dutch exploration and settlements in the New World. During this century's great era of Trans-Atlantic elegance, Holland America Line's beloved *Nieuw Amsterdam II* (1938-1973) came to represent all the luxury, magnificence and splendor of that time. Our emblem shows this famous flagship alongside "de Halve Maen." Together, these two ships symbolize the centuries old seafaring tradition of the Dutch and the long-standing friendship between Holland and America.

THE SHIP'S CREW

MASTER

Captain Werner Timmers

HOTEL DIRECTOR

Darren David Lewis

STAFF CAPTAIN

Paul Adams

CHIEF ENGINEER

Pieter Engels

ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER

Neil Maitland

CRUISE DIRECTOR

John Cleford

SECURITY OFFICER

Michael McGarry

PURSER

Joni Candra

CULINARY OPERATIONS

MANAGER

Florin Dragomir

EXECUTIVE HOUSEKEEPER

Rita Lynch

GUEST RELATIONS MANAGER

Herma C.S. Lubaton

BEVERAGE MANAGER

Mariusz Krzyanowski

EXECUTIVE CHEF

Udo Sandering

DINING ROOM MANAGER

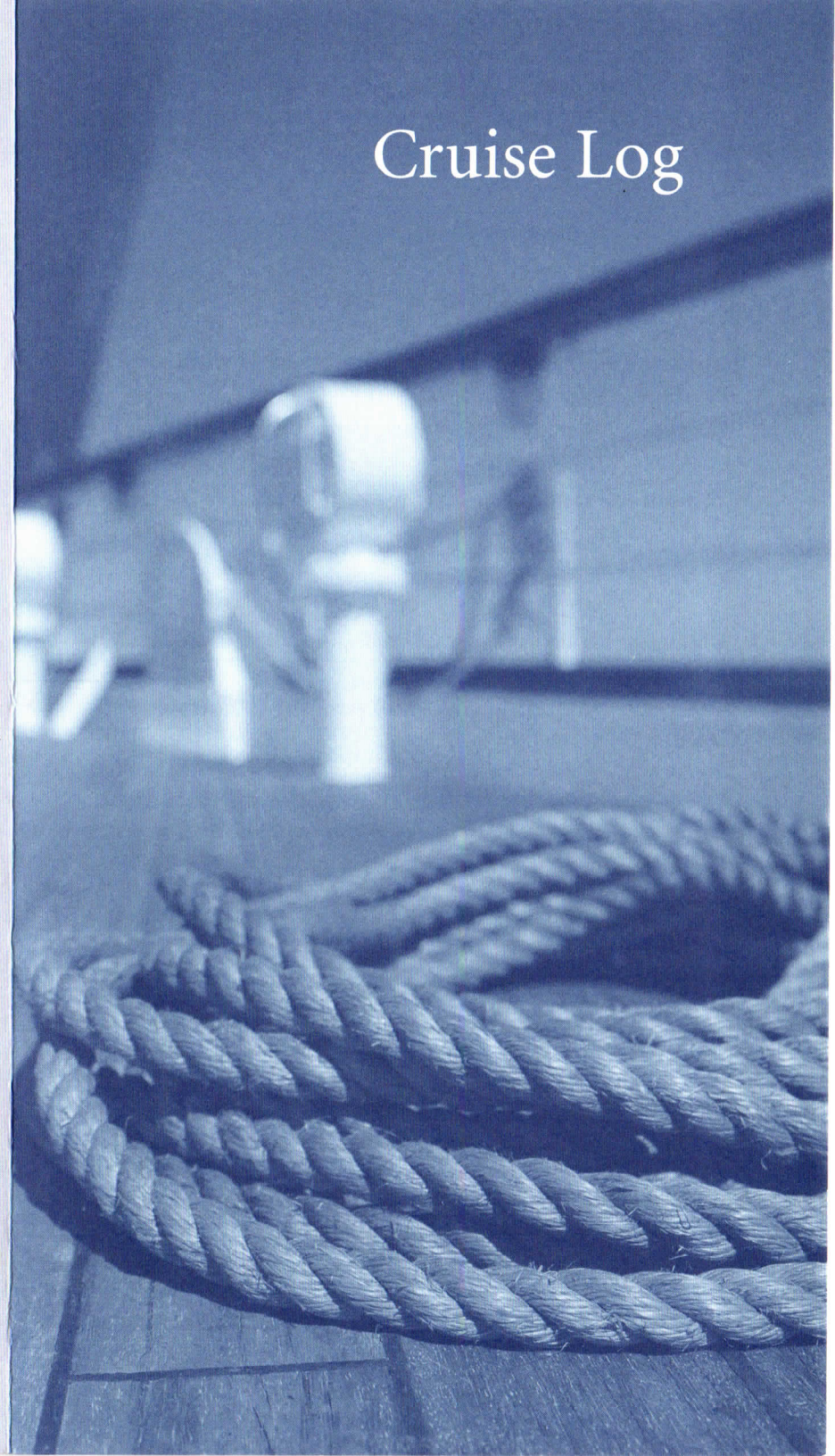
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Cruise Log





Sunday, December 28, 2014 – Tampa, Florida

4:18pm Vessel Undocked

Monday, December 29, 2014 – Key West, Florida

11:34am Safely Docked

12:00nn Weather: Light breeze, cloudy skies,
26°C/78.8°F

5:56pm Vessel Undocked

Tuesday, December 30, 2014 – At Sea

12:00nn Weather: Moderate breeze, cloudy skies,
26°C/78.8°F

12:00nn Noon Position: 20°33.8' North 085°45.1'West

**Wednesday, December 31, 2014 – Santo Tomas de
Castilla, Guatemala**

8:23am Safely Docked

12:00nn Weather: Moderate breeze, overcast skies with
heavy rain, 24°C/75.2°F

6:28pm Vessel Undocked

Thursday, January 1, 2015 – Banana Coast, Honduras

7:11am Safely at Anchor

12:00nn Weather: Fresh breeze, clear skies,
28°C/82.4°F

4:02pm Anchor aweigh

Friday, January 2, 2015 – Costa Maya, Mexico

8:11am Safely docked

12:00nn Weather: Moderate breeze, overcast skies,
27°C/80.6°F

3:15pm Vessel undocked

Saturday, January 3, 2015 – At Sea

12:00nn Weather: Moderate gale, partly cloudy skies,
25°C/77°F

12:00nn Noon Position: 24°14.8' North 084°50.4'West

Sunday, January 4, 2015 – Tampa, Florida

04:30am Safely Docked

TOTAL MILEAGE THIS VOYAGE

Port	Mileage	Avg. Speed
Tampa – Key West	252 NM	15.3 kts
Key West– Santo Tomas de Castilla	604 NM	16.3 kts
Santo Tomas de Castilla – Banana Coast	184 NM	14.5 kts
Banana Coast – Costa Maya	216 NM	16.5 kts
Costa Maya – Tampa	639 NM	17.7 kts
Total Distance	1895 NM	16.1 kts

*On behalf of Captain Werner Timmers,
Hotel Director Darren David Lewis,
Cruise Director John Clelford
and the entire ship's complement,
we thank you for choosing
Holland America Line and wish you
a safe and pleasant journey home.*