

2018 WAVE AWARDS

WAVE CATEGORIES & EDITOR'S PICKS

AIR

Best Airline, Domestic

Alaska Airlines
American Airlines
Delta Air Lines
Southwest Airlines
United Airlines

Best Airline, International

Air New Zealand
British Airways
Emirates
Singapore Airlines
Swiss

Best Airline Vacation Brand

American Airlines Vacations
Delta Vacations
Qantas Vacations
Southwest Vacations
United Vacations

CRUISE

Cruise Line with Highest Client Satisfaction (less than 1,300 passengers)

Crystal Cruises
Oceania Cruises
Regent Seven Seas Cruises
Seabourn Cruise Line
Silversea Cruises

Cruise Line with Highest Client Satisfaction (more than 1,300 passengers)

Carnival Cruise Line
Celebrity Cruises
Holland America Line
Norwegian Cruise Line
Princess Cruises
Royal Caribbean International

Cruise Line Providing the Best Travel Agent Support (ocean-going)

Carnival Cruise Line
Celebrity Cruises
Holland America Line

Norwegian Cruise Line
Princess Cruises
Royal Caribbean International

Best New Ship (ocean-going)

MSC Meraviglia, MSC Cruises
MSC Seaside, MSC Cruises
National Geographic Quest, Lindblad Expeditions - National Geographic
Silver Muse, Silversea Cruises
Viking Sky, Viking Ocean Cruises

Best Onboard Dining (ocean-going/less than 1,300 passengers)

Crystal Cruises
Oceania Cruises
Regent Seven Seas Cruises
Seabourn Cruise Line
Viking Ocean Cruises

Best Onboard Dining (ocean-going/more than 1,300 passengers)

Celebrity Cruises
Holland America Line
Norwegian Cruise Line
Princess Cruises
Royal Caribbean International

Best Refurbished Ship (ocean-going)

Carnival Elation, Carnival Cruise Line
Crystal Symphony, Crystal Cruises
Sea Princess, Princess Cruises
Silver Cloud, Silversea Cruises
Westerdam, Holland America Line

River Cruise Line with Highest Client Satisfaction

AmaWaterways
Avalon Waterways
Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours
Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection
Viking River Cruises

River Cruise Line Providing Best Travel Agent Support

AmaWaterways
Avalon Waterways
Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours
Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection
Viking River Cruises

Best New Ship (River Cruise)

AmaKristina, AmaWaterways
American Duchess, American Queen Steamboat Company
Crystal Bach, Crystal River Cruises

Emerald Liberte, Emerald Waterways
Joie de Vivre, Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection
Viking Longship Herja, Viking River Cruises

Best Onboard Dining (River Cruise)

AmaWaterways
Avalon Waterways
Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours
Tauck
Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection

Best Cruise Line for Shows and Nightlife

Celebrity Cruises
Disney Cruise Line
Holland America Line
Norwegian Cruise Line
Royal Caribbean International

Best Cruise Line for Family Activities

Carnival Cruise Line
Disney Cruise Line
Norwegian Cruise Line
Princess Cruises
Royal Caribbean International

Best River Cruise Line for Families

AmaWaterways
Avalon Waterways
CroisiEurope
Tauck
Uniworld Boutique River Cruise Collection

Best Expedition Cruise Line (ocean-going)

Hurtigruten
Lindblad Expeditions - National Geographic
Paul Gauguin Cruises
Silversea Cruises
UnCruise Adventures

Best Small-Ship Line (ocean-going, under 250 passengers)

Crystal Yacht Expedition Cruises
SeaDream Yacht Club
Star Clippers
Variety Cruises
Windstar Cruises

RAIL

Best North American Rail Vacation Provider

Alaska Railroad

Amtrak Vacations/Yankee Holidays
Rocky Mountaineer
Via Rail Canada

TOUR OPERATOR

Escorted Tour Operator Providing the Best Travel Agent Support

Abercrombie & Kent
Collette
Globus Family of Brands
Insight Vacations
Tauck

FIT Tour Operator Providing the Best Travel Agent Support

Apple Vacations
Avanti Destinations
Funjet Vacations
Gogo Vacations
Pleasant Holidays
Travel Impressions

Best Tour Operator, Escorted

Abercrombie & Kent
Globus Family of Brands
Insight Vacations
Tauck
Trafalgar

Best Tour Operator, FIT

Apple Vacations
Avanti Destinations
Classic Vacations
Funjet Vacations
Gogo Vacations
Travel Impressions

Best FIT Tour Operator, Europe

Avanti Destinations
Funjet Vacations
Journese
Travel Impressions
Worldwide Traveler

Best Escorted Tour Operator, Europe

Collette
Globus Family of Brands
Insight Vacations
Tauck
Trafalgar

Best Tour Operator, Africa

Abercrombie & Kent
African Travel, Inc.
Great Safaris
Micato Safaris
Thomson Safaris

Best Tour Operator, Asia

Avanti Destinations
Cox & Kings
Pacific Delight Tours
SITA World Tours
Wendy Wu Tours

Best Tour Operator, Australia, New Zealand, South Pacific

Down Under Answers
Goway Travel
Pleasant Holidays
Swain Destinations
Travel2

Best Tour Operator, Caribbean

Apple Vacations
Delta Vacations
Funjet Vacations
Gogo Vacations
Travel Impressions

Best Tour Operator, Central/South America

G Adventures
Intrepid Travel
Latour
VIP Journeys
Yampu Tours

Best Tour Operator, Hawaii

Apple Vacations
Blue Sky Tours
Classic Vacations
Delta Vacations
Pleasant Holidays
United Vacations

Best Tour Operator, Mexico

Apple Vacations
Delta Vacations
Funjet Vacations
Gogo Vacations

Pleasant Holidays
Travel Impressions

Best Tour Operator for Adventure/Experiential Travel

Austin Adventures
Backroads
G Adventures
Intrepid Travel
Mountain Travel Sobek

Best Tour Operator for Multigenerational Travel

Abercrombie & Kent
Adventures by Disney
Backroads
Thomson Family Adventures
Tauck Bridges

CAR RENTAL

Car Rental Company Providing Best Travel Agent Support

Avis
Enterprise
Hertz

Car Rental Company Providing the Highest Client Satisfaction

Avis
Enterprise
Hertz

RESORT/HOTEL

Best New Resort or Major Renovation, Mexico

Chileno Bay Resort & Residences
Hotel Xcaret Mexico
Paradisus Los Cabos
Rosewood Puebla
Unico 20°87° Hotel Riviera Maya

Best New Resort or Major Renovation, Caribbean

Breathless Montego Bay Resort & Spa
Grand Hyatt Baha Mar
Royalton Negril Resort & Spa
Sandals South Coast
Secrets Cap Cana Resort & Spa

Best New Resort or Major Renovation, Hawaii

Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach
Koloa Landing Resort
The Laylow, Autograph Collection

Wailea Beach Resort - Marriott, Maui
The Westin Nanea Ocean Villas, Kaanapali

Best Hotel Chain, Europe

AccorHotels
Hilton Worldwide
InterContinental Hotels Group
Marriott International
Melia Hotels International

Best Hotel Chain, Hawaii

Aqua-Aston Hospitality
Hyatt Hotels Corporation
Hilton Worldwide
Outrigger Hotels & Resorts
SPG Resorts

Best All-Inclusive Hotel Chain, Caribbean

AMResorts
Club Med
Hyatt Ziva/Hyatt Zilara
Iberostar Hotels & Resorts
Sandals Resorts International

Best All-Inclusive Hotel Chain, Mexico

AMResorts
Hyatt Ziva/Hyatt Zilara
Karisma Hotels & Resorts
Palace Resorts
Posadas
Velas Resorts

Best Hotel Brand, USA

Hilton Worldwide
Hyatt Hotels Corporation
InterContinental Hotels Group
Loews Hotels
Marriott International

Best Luxury Hotel Brand

Belmond
Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts
The Peninsula Hotels
The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company
St. Regis Hotels & Resorts

Hotel/Resort Chain Providing the Best Travel Agent Support

AMResorts
Hilton Worldwide
InterContinental Hotels Group

Marriott International
Sandals Resorts International

Best Hotel Brand for Families, Mexico

Azul Beach Resorts
Dreams Resorts & Spas
Hard Rock Hotels
Hyatt Ziva
Palace Resorts
Paradisus Resorts

Best Hotel Brand for Families, Caribbean

Atlantis
Beaches
Club Med
Dreams Resorts & Spas
Paradisus Resorts

Best Hotel Brand for Families, Hawaii

Aqua-Aston Hospitality
Hyatt Hotels Corporation
Hilton Worldwide
Outrigger Hotels & Resorts
Sheraton Hotels and Resorts

DESTINATIONS

Destination with the Highest Client Satisfaction, Asia

China
India
Japan
Singapore
Taiwan
Thailand

Destination with the Highest Client Satisfaction, Europe

France
Great Britain
Italy
Spain
Switzerland

Destination with the Highest Client Satisfaction, Mexico

Cancun
Los Cabos
Puerto Vallarta
Riviera Maya
Riviera Nayarit

Destination with the Highest Client Satisfaction, USA

Alaska
Hawaii
Las Vegas
New Orleans
New York City

Destination with the Highest Client Satisfaction, Canada

Banff
Montreal
Quebec City
Toronto
Vancouver

Favorite Three-Night Destination to Sell

Disneyland Resort (Anaheim, Calif.)
Las Vegas
Los Cabos
New Orleans
San Francisco

Theme Park Company Providing the Best Travel Agent Support

Legoland
SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment
Six Flags Entertainment Corporation
Universal Parks & Resorts
Walt Disney Parks and Resorts

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Best Travel Insurance Company

Allianz Global Assistance
Berkshire Hathaway Travel Protection
CSA Travel Protection - Generali Global Assistance
Travel Guard
Travelex Insurance Services

TOURISM BOARD

International Tourism Board Providing the Best Travel Agent Support

Jamaica Tourist Board
Mexico Tourism Board
Switzerland Tourism
Tourism Ireland
VisitBritain

U.S. Tourism Board Providing the Best Travel Agent Support

Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau
Visit Florida

Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority
New Orleans Convention & Visitors Bureau
NYC & Company, Inc.