

# Moms of the Caribbean: The curse of having to wear a swimsuit in March

My family and I are setting sail on The Disney Cruise this Thursday. The cruise is a gift for my fortieth birthday ...so mature of me, I know. I am an unabashed Disney freak (See Proof Here) and my husband and three other families have indulged me.

Our kids are beside themselves with anticipation, "How many days now, Mom?" They can't wait to jump into that Mickey-shaped pool (shhh, me either.)

Going on this cruise has pressed me (and my three girlfriends) into the most unnatural and humbling thing imaginable—shopping for a swimsuit in March. I won't give you the gory details, just the winning suit. This one from Athleta.

They are so sweet to us moms there at Athleta. They offer the much-loved and appreciated "tankini" with almost every suit and the beloved swim skirt, too. Their suits cover all the (um) essentials and don't require the usual tugging and adjusting you get from your standard J.Crew get-up. Plus, ordering a bathing suit from the internet allows you to try it on at home, in non-brutal lighting, as God intended.

I'll admit, I have been agonizing just a little about how I will look in the aforementioned suit, but dieting just before a cruise is kind of like cleaning your house right before you have your entire family—kids, dogs and all—over for Christmas. It's totally futile. All your efforts will be totally blown in the first ten minutes. Why bother, really? Besides, I'm there to have fun, not to seduce Goofy.

But, I will admit I do really want to get a picture of Mickey and me, just as the sun is setting into the sea. (I told you...FREAK!)

Don't fret, I will be able to post to The Mom Blog from the ship. Be prepared for a boatload (sorry had to do it) of pictures of me and my maties (ouch, that's the last one) on The Disney Wonder.

My, I did ramble today. Too much Diet Coke does that to me.

*\*\*Note about me\*\*I don't post pictures of my kids on the internet, but you can take my word for it, they are adorable. My husband and I made this rule when I first started blogging and I think it is a prudent one, given all the despicable creeps in the world. Oh, but they are so cute...*