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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of May, 2003

ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD.

1050 Caribbean Way, Miami, Florida 33132

(Address of principal executive offices)

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.]

Form 20-F Form 40-F _____

[Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.]

Yes No

[If "Yes" is marked indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-____.]

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For Immediate Release

ROYAL CARIBBEAN ANNOUNCES PUBLIC OFFERING OF SENIOR NOTES

MIAMI - (May 2, 2003) - Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. (NYSE, OSE: RCL) announced today it has commenced marketing a proposed \$250 million senior note public offering. Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Citigroup will be joint book-running lead managers for the offering.

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Net proceeds from this offering will be used by the Company for general corporate purposes, including capital expenditures. The securities are being offered as part of a shelf registration statement previously filed and declared effective with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Copies of the prospectus relating to the offering can be obtained from either Goldman, Sachs & Co., 85 Broad Street, New York, NY 10004 (212) 902-1000, or Citigroup Global Markets Inc., 390 Greenwich Street, New York, NY 10013 (212) 723-6046.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD.

(Registrant)

Date: May 2, 2003

By:/s/BONNIE S. BIUMI

Bonnie S. Biumi

Acting Chief Financial Officer