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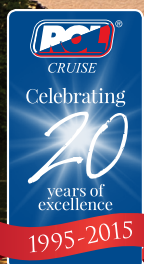
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**VOYAGES OF
DISCOVERY**
2016/17 LAUNCH
PROMOTION

**SOUTH AMERICA
& IGUAZU FALLS
IN ALL-INCLUSIVE
MODERN LUXURY**

**6★ YANGTZE
RIVER CRUISE
WITH UNIWORLD**

**BRAND NEW
AUSTRALASIA
CIRCUMNAVIGATION
WITH ROYAL
CARIBBEAN**



BLUE HORIZONS BONUS - **SUMMER TREATS HAMPER**

Silversea Cruises Announces New Ship The Silver Muse - Arriving Spring 2017

The new ultra-luxury ship is being built by Fincantieri and at 40,000 grt will accommodate 596 guests. She represents an exciting evolution of the Silver Spirit and will redefine ultra-luxury ocean travel, enhancing the small-ship intimacy and spacious all-suite accommodations that are the hallmarks of the Silversea experience.

Further details on this beautiful new ship will be announced in the near future so keep reading Blue Horizons to keep up-to-date.



ROL NEWS

Reader Offers' founder presented with Outstanding Contribution award

Peter Beadles recognised at the 2015 Agent Achievement Awards

We are delighted to announce Peter Beadles was presented with an Outstanding Contribution to the Industry Award at Travel Weekly's Agent Achievement 2015 awards on Tuesday 7th July. The awards are recognised as the leading awards for agents, whether on the high street, at home, in call centres or online.

Coinciding with Reader Offers' 20th anniversary in business, Peter was recognised as a true 'servant and leader' of the travel industry by the judges. Peter founded the company in 1995 and led the organisation to becoming the leading cruise retailer in the UK with over 100 staff members.

On receiving the Outstanding Contribution to the Industry Award, Peter Beadles said: "I was totally amazed to receive this



award. It is always gratifying to be recognised by your peers, and even more so when unexpected. Having said that the award really should go to the Company as in any business it is the team that makes it and without the great people at Reader Offers we wouldn't have achieved what we have over the last 20 years. What is even better is that since the Management takeover 18 months ago, the business has grown considerably on all fronts and is outperforming against its targets. That tells me that maybe I should have retired earlier!"

The 20th Anniversary Cruise Show 2015

Wednesday 12th &
Thursday 13th August 2015

Don't forget there is still time to register your attendance for our 20th Anniversary Cruise Show at The Weston Homes Community Stadium, Colchester, Essex (easily reached from junction 28 on the A12).

YOUR COMPLIMENTARY ENTRY TO THE EVENT INCLUDES:

- The opportunity to meet and talk to a wide variety of our cruise line partners
- Incredible exclusive Cruise Show offers
- Enjoy informative talks and presentations throughout the day
- Exclusive on the day events
- Personal service from our experienced cruise consultants
- BRAND NEW SPECIALIST TALKS
- ALL BOOKINGS WILL BE ENTERED INTO OUR PRIZE DRAW TO WIN A FREE CRUISE!*

To find out more or to register your attendance please visit www.readeroffers.travel/thecruiseshow2015 or call 01206 225941

*For prize draw terms and conditions visit www.readeroffers.travel/thecruiseshow2015.

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DON'T FORGET TO CLAIM YOUR BLUE HORIZONS BOOKING BONUS

Book any cruise from this issue of Blue Horizons before 19th August 2015 and you'll receive a free Summer Treats Hamper.

Please see page 51 for full details.



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Hello and welcome to the September edition of Blue Horizons.

I'm sure many readers will be enjoying their summer holidays this month, so for this issue we have handpicked an incredible selection of voyages offering sunshine all year round.

Relive the Golden Age of rail travel, with a selection of journeys on board the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express, coupled with a Fred. Olsen cruise to the Adriatic. This package is only bookable with Reader Offers, so turn the page for more details. Alternatively,

discover the wine regions of France and Spain (page 6), witness the breathtaking Norwegian Fjords (page 7), explore New England (pages 8-9) or embark on a once-in-a-lifetime grand world voyage to the Indian Ocean (pages 10-11), while taking advantage of fantastic added benefits.

We are excited to announce that Cruise & Maritime have extended their buy one get one free promotion, exclusively for Blue Horizons' readers. So you could save money while visiting a number of alluring destinations. Turn to pages 16-21 for more details and pick up a great deal today!

Our Voyages of Discovery 2016/17 launch promotion has been incredibly popular and on pages 12-15 you'll find a number of our best-sellers. From a beautiful Far Eastern festive voyage and the magic of the Maldives & Seychelles to untouched Burma, take advantage of the launch fares and enjoy up to £100 on board spend.

If you're looking for that perfect escape, on pages 36-37, you'll find a beautiful voyage to the South Pacific and Easter Island in 5★ luxury with Oceania Cruises. Explore ports of call you've always dreamed of visiting including the paradise shores of Bora Bora and mysterious Easter Island. Alternatively, transit the Panama Canal and explore the wonders of Central America in modern luxury with Celebrity Cruises. This all-inclusive promotion includes free drinks, free wifi and on board spend so turn to pages 32-33 to take advantage of this fantastic offer.

Our tailor-made packages are always incredibly popular and we have a wonderful selection to whet the appetite, including an Australasian circumnavigation (pages 26-27), South America & Iguazu Falls (pages 34-35) and finally the Adriatic, featuring our charter of the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express (pages 48-49). You're sure to find your dream voyage.

Finally, River Cruising is a marvellous way of seeing the world - whether you wish to explore Europe further or marvel at the Rivers of Asia. On pages 42-43, you'll find our Magnificent Europe sailing with APT - but don't delay as the early booking savings end 31st August. Or on pages 40-41, embark on a magical journey to China and Tibet with Uniworld, including a 6★ Yangtze river cruise. Both packages include select drinks, gratuities and sightseeing.

Happy Cruising!


Jeremy Dickinson
CEO, Reader Offers Ltd

For more information please visit us at

www.readeroffers.travel

MAIDEN
OPPORTUNITY TO
COMBINE A FRED. OLSEN
CRUISE WITH A RAIL
JOURNEY ON THE VENICE
SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

A BRAND NEW PROMOTION - FIRST DAY ON SALE



A TRUE ART DECO ICON

From the 1920s to the '30s the carriages of the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express train played a significant role in the golden age of travel. Today, every carriage has been lovingly restored to its former glory, recreating one of the finest luxury experiences the world has ever known.

Indulge in a sensational feast on board with exceptional European cuisine, freshly prepared in the train's kitchen by Chef Christian Bodiguel and his skilled team. Enjoy the unique ambience of each of the three beautifully restored restaurant cars and at the heart of the train, the stylish Bar Car offers a welcoming environment in which to relax over cocktails or coffee.

THE NO-FLY VOYAGES TO VENICE & THE ADRIATIC

FEATURING THE VENICE
SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

**FREE UP TO £200
ON BOARD SPEND***

**OVERNIGHT JOURNEY
ON THE VENICE
SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS⁺**

**LUXURY
HOTEL STAYS IN VENICE[‡]**

LIVERPOOL TO VENICE

17 NIGHTS DEPARTING 6TH JUNE 2016

JUNE 2016

**Mon 6 Embark Boudicca and depart
Liverpool**

Tue 7 - Relaxing at sea
Thu 9

Fri 10 Gibraltar

Sat 11 Cartagena, Spain

Sun 12 - Relaxing at sea
Mon 13

Tue 14 Catania, Sicily

Catania boasts dramatic cityscapes with beautifully ornate baroque buildings that pan across the Sicilian coast. Visit the Cathedral and Castello Ursino, the Bellini Museum or take a cable-car ride up to the hissing craters of Mount Etna

Wed 15 Kerkira, Corfu

Thu 16 Kotor, Montenegro

Fri 17 Hvar, Croatia

Explore the town where chapels and palaces are embellished with intricately carved Venetian architecture. With its harmonious blend of old villages and towns with vast fields of lavender, ancient olive trees and vineyards, you'll also find Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque houses dotted around the bay

Sat 18 Venice, Italy
(overnight stay on board)

Sun 19 Venice, Italy
Disembark and transfer to the Westin Europa & Regina Hotel[†] for your three night stay, including breakfast

Mon 20 - Explore Venice at your leisure
Tue 21 Gondolas glide along the canals while the sound of music is heard everywhere in this amazing city. With so much to see an extended stay is required. The energetic city life, palaces and the landmark cathedrals make this magnificent city of water a truly unique experience

Wed 22 Transfer to Santa Lucia station and board the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express⁺ for your overnight journey to London
Enjoy a three course lunch in one of the ornate restaurant cars and later afternoon tea will be served by your steward as you relax on board. A sumptuous four course dinner will be served in the evening, prepared by skilled French chefs. After dinner you may want to visit the Bar Car or retire to your cabin which will have been transformed into your cosy bedroom

Thu 23 Arrive London

Enjoy a continental breakfast brought to your cabin by your steward and savour a delicious brunch as you travel towards the French coast. After a short channel crossing, board the Belmond British Pullman for the journey to London. A traditional afternoon tea, accompanied by a glass of English sparkling wine, is served before arriving at London Victoria

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CABIN	GRADE	READER OFFERS LTD PRICE (PP)
Inside Twin	H	£3,899
Outside Twin	F	£4,299
Superior Outside Twin	C	£4,699
Junior Suite	JS	£5,399
Balcony Suite	BS	£5,799

Solo prices available on request

**JUST A DEPOSIT REQUIRED TO
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WHAT'S INCLUDED IN YOUR EXCLUSIVE READER OFFERS LTD PACKAGE

Overnight travel on board the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express and Belmond British Pullman*

FREE up to £200 on board spend for Outside Cabins and above*

LUXURY hotel stays in Venice*

Full board accommodation on board Boudicca, including:

- All meals throughout your cruise from five course à la carte dining to casual buffets and late night snacks
- Captain's Drinks Party and Gala Buffet
- **FREE** tea and coffee on board (at selected venues)
- On board leisure facilities including a spacious gym, heated swimming pools and jacuzzis
- Daily on board activities and evening entertainment including cabarets, dance classes, classical concerts and shuffleboard
- **FREE** on board lectures and enrichment programmes
- A truly British cruise experience Sterling on board and all English speaking crew

FREE Drinks Package, worth up to £260**

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Earn up to 11,598 when booking one of these exclusive voyages, worth £115 off your next booking with Reader Offers Ltd**



**EXCLUSIVE
LAUNCH PRICES**
SAVE UP TO **£2,000[±]**

**FREE DRINKS PACKAGE,
WORTH UP TO £260⁺⁺**

VENICE TO LIVERPOOL 15 NIGHTS DEPARTING 16TH JUNE 2016

JUNE 2016

- Thu 16 Depart London**
Embark the vintage Belmond British Pullman at London Victoria to begin your journey to Venice. Enjoy brunch and a Bellini as you travel through the Kentish countryside. After a short Channel crossing, board the renowned Venice Simplon-Orient-Express* and enjoy a four course dinner. In the evening retire to your private cabin that has been transformed into your cosy bedroom
- Fri 17 Venice, Italy**
Enjoy a delightful breakfast in the comfort of your cabin and marvel at the passing scenery before lunch is served in one of the beautiful restaurant cars. You will arrive in Venice feeling refreshed and ready to explore. Transfer to the Westin Europa & Regina Hotel† for a two night stay, including breakfast
- Sat 18 Explore Venice at your leisure**
Visit the famous St. Mark's Square with its Basilica standing proud as the centrepiece. Alternatively, a gentle gondola ride along the Grand Canal is a wonderful way to see the city

- Sun 19 Venice, Italy**
Transfer to the port and embark Boudicca for your 12 night voyage
- Mon 20 Split, Croatia**
Twisting cobbled streets lead to churches, both Roman and Gothic; while the old town of Split is remarkably well-preserved. With plenty of museums, galleries and cafés, you won't be short of things to do
- Tue 21 Dubrovnik, Croatia**
Wed 22 Relaxing at sea
- Thu 23 Valletta, Malta**
A tiny island with an epic and heroic history, Malta makes for a scenic, unforgettable stop. The 16th century walled capital of Valletta, with its Grand Harbour, is a treasure chest bursting with baroque architecture
- Fri 24 - Sat 25 Relaxing at sea**
- Sun 26 Málaga, Spain**
Mon 27 Cádiz, Spain
Tue 28 - Thu 30 Relaxing at sea
- JULY 2016**
Fri 1 Arrive Liverpool

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Inside Twin	H	£3,699
Outside Twin	F	£4,099
Superior Outside Twin	C	£4,499
Junior Suite	JS	£5,099
Balcony Suite	BS	£5,449

Solo prices available on request

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±Savings message is based on the Readers Offers Ltd full price compared to the advertised price and is based on two adults sharing an Inside Twin (H) Cabin on 16th June 2016 departure. Savings have been applied to the advertised prices. *Trip aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express (including Belmond British Pullman) is subject to availability and change. Luggage allowance on the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express is limited to one case per person in the hold and one small overnight bag/case in the cabin. Trains are subject to change and cancellation, should this happen an alternative will be offered. Please note, this package is not suitable for guests with mobility restrictions. Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines booking conditions apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.

Wine regions of France & Spain

**ALL-INCLUSIVE DRINKS PACKAGE
AVAILABLE FOR ONLY
£10PP PER NIGHT****

**FREE
UP TO £100
ON BOARD SPEND***

Tempt your taste buds with this seven night cruise, which takes in the beautiful wine regions of France and Spain.

From La Rochelle, visit the famed Cognac region, away from the port and discover more about the production of this famous brandy - and even sample some for yourself. Bilbao, your next stop, has a real Basque charm. Be sure to try pinchos, a local delicacy of skewered meat, along with a wide range of tapas. Beautiful Bordeaux has long been known for producing high-quality wines and you could embark on an excursion* to the Pomerol Vineyards to get a flavour of what makes this region so special. Your final port of call, Montoir-de-Bretagne offers spectacular vistas and you'll be spoilt for choice with traditional cafés in the town centre.

7 NIGHTS DEPARTING 14TH MAY 2016

MAY 2016

Sat 14 Embark Braemar and depart Southampton

Sun 15 Relaxing at sea

Mon 16 La Pallice (for La Rochelle), France
Known as La Ville Blanche (the White City), La Rochelle's luminous limestone facades glow in the bright coastal sunlight. The city has arcaded walkways, half-timbered houses and rich reminders of its seafaring past

Tue 17 Getxo (for Bilbao), Spain
Home to the world-famous Guggenheim Museum, Museum of Fine Art and stunning architecture including the 14th century Gothic-Style cathedral, Bilbao is packed with things to see and do

Wed 18 Bordeaux, France
Stretched along the banks of the rivers of Aquitaine, Bordeaux has long been famed for producing world-famous wines. But aside from this the city offers grand architecture, quaint cafes and a host of fascinating museums

Thu 19 Montoir-de-Bretagne, France
From Montoir-de-Bretagne, you could visit the sandy beaches and pretty waterfront town, Saint-Nazaire. Alternatively, Nantes is a short train journey away and has many famous sights including the

Feydeau Islet, the 13th century St-Pierre and St-Paul Cathedral and the shopping streets of Crébillon

Fri 20 Relaxing at sea

Sat 21 Arrive Southampton



Museum, Bilbao, Spain

YOUR FANTASTIC READER OFFERS LTD PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	READER OFFERS LTD PRICE (PP)
Inside Twin	I	£799
Outside Twin	F	£899
Superior Outside Twin	C	£1,149
Balcony Cabin	BC	£1,449
Balcony Suite	BS	£1,799
Superior Suite	SS	£2,049

Single cabins available from **£1,349**

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What's Included IN YOUR FANTASTIC READER OFFERS LTD PACKAGE

FREE up to £100 on board spend for Superior Outside Cabins and above*

Full board accommodation on board Braemar

All meals throughout your cruise from five course à la carte dining to casual buffets and late night snacks

FREE tea and coffee on board (at selected venues)

Daily on board activities and evening entertainment including cabarets, dance classes, classical concerts, arts & crafts, guest speakers and enrichment programmes

On board leisure facilities including a spacious gym, heated swimming pools and jacuzzis

UPGRADE to an all-inclusive Drinks Package for only £10pp per night**

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES
Earn up to **4,098** when booking this beautiful voyage**





Discover the Fjords in only 5 nights

**ALL-INCLUSIVE DRINKS PACKAGE
AVAILABLE FOR ONLY
£10pp PER NIGHT****

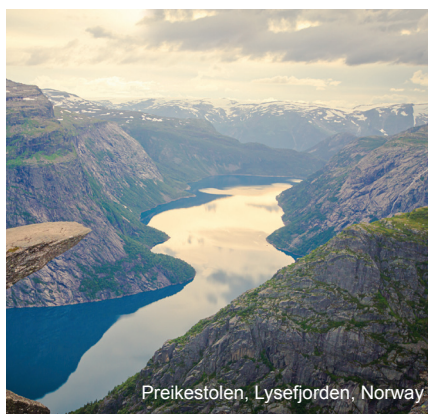
**FREE
UP TO £100
ON BOARD SPEND***

Save cruising time and set sail from Newcastle to the heart of the beautiful Norwegian fjords.

Scenic cruising isn't always possible with larger cruise ships, but due to Balmoral's size, you'll be able to sail to some of the most picturesque areas of Norway. Discover the UNESCO-listed Bryggen Wharf and take in the beautiful Mabodal Valley in Eidfjord. Memorable experiences will include gliding through Lysefjord, Hardangerfjord and Maurangerfjord. Famous landmarks such as the Preikestolen flat mountain plateau, the Kjeragbolten – a huge rock wedged intriguingly in a vast mountain crevice – and the mesmerising Furebergfossen Waterfall come into view, creating memories which will last a lifetime.

5 NIGHTS DEPARTING 21ST & 26TH MAY 2016

- | Day | Destination |
|-----|--|
| 1 | Embark Balmoral and depart Newcastle |
| 2 | Relaxing at sea |
| 3 | Bergen, Norway
Home to UNESCO World Heritage Site, Bryggen, Bergen is a beautiful city, surrounded by hills and fjords |
| 4 | Eidfjord, Hardangerfjord, Norway
The eastern end of Hardangerfjord forms into the Eidfjord and provides the gateway to the Hardangervidda Mountain Plateau. Here you will find some of the most spectacular scenery in Norway
CRUISING HARDANGERFJORD, FURBERGFOSS WATERFALL AND MAURANGERFJORD
Cruise along the Maurangerfjord, gliding past the beautiful Furebergfossen Waterfall for wonderful views and great photo opportunities |
| 5 | CRUISING HIDRASUND AND STANDSFJORDEN
Known as the 'Pearl of the Southern Coast', where Hidrasund merges with the North Sea, the island is dotted with typical Norwegian red-roofed houses, and is home to deciduous forests and rare flora and fauna
CRUISING FLEKKEFJORDEN AND STOLSFJORD
Surrounded by deep blue waters, craggy islands and secret bays, Stolsfjorden leads into the Flekkefjorden; offering stunning views as you glide towards the pretty fishing island of Flekkefjord |
| 6 | Arrive Newcastle |



Preikestolen, Lysefjorden, Norway

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CABIN	GRADE	READER OFFERS LTD PRICE (PP)
Inside Twin	I	£599
Outside Twin	F	£699
Superior Outside Twin	C	£839
Balcony Cabin	BC	£1,099
Superior Suite	SS	£1,399
Premier Suite	PS	£1,899

Single cabins available from **£999**

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What's Included IN YOUR FANTASTIC READER OFFERS LTD PACKAGE

FREE up to £100 on board spend for Balcony Cabins and above*

Full board accommodation on board Balmoral

All meals throughout your cruise from five course à la carte dining to casual buffets and late night snacks

FREE tea and coffee on board (at selected venues)

Daily on board activities and evening entertainment including cabarets, dance classes, classical concerts, arts & crafts, guest speakers and enrichment programmes

On board leisure facilities including a spacious gym, heated swimming pools and jacuzzis

UPGRADE to an all-inclusive Drinks Package for only £10pp per night**

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Earn up to **3,798** when booking when booking this scenic voyage**





THE NO-FLY OLD ENGLAND TO NEW ENGLAND DISCOVERY



**FREE INSIDE TO
OUTSIDE CABIN
UPGRADE[^]**

**FREE
DOOR-TO-DOOR
TRANSPORT^{**}**

**FREE ON BOARD
SPEND OF
UP TO £200^{*}**

Wave goodbye to merry old England as you embark on an unforgettable journey visiting five countries and an incredible 13 ports.

Along the way witness the verdant mountain scenery of the Azores and relax on the pink sand beaches of Bermuda - one of the highlights of your voyage. As you arrive on the shores of the USA you'll discover the treasures of the east coast. From Baltimore, known as 'Charm City', to the iconic sights of the 'Big Apple' and the distinctive region of New England - the birthplace of America. Here you'll find white sand beaches, expansive lakes, panoramic mountain views and dockside restaurants serving fresh seafood including chowder and lobster. Your epic voyage also includes the picturesque landscapes of Canada and a chance to explore the 'Emerald Isle' - Ireland. This truly is the ultimate voyage where you can discover so much all in one magnificent package.

34 NIGHTS DEPARTING 16TH APRIL 2016

APRIL 2016

Sat 16	Embark Balmoral and depart Southampton
Sun 17 -	Relaxing at sea
Tue 19	
Wed 20	Ponta Delgada, Azores
	Discover the natural hot springs in Furnas, beautiful volcanic landscapes at the Lagoa do Fogo and breathtaking scenery of the blue seas at Sete Cidades
Thu 21 -	Relaxing at sea
Mon 25	
Tue 26	Hamilton, Bermuda
Wed 27	St. George, Bermuda
	The town of St. George is a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site and the best way to explore the historic sites is to simply wander its charming streets. Here you'll find historic museums, churches and forts
Thu 28	Relaxing at sea
Fri 29	Norfolk, Virginia, USA
Sat 30	Baltimore, Maryland, USA (overnight stay on board)
	The Inner Harbour is a great place to start your exploration where you'll find museums, exciting nightlife, cultural experiences and delicious restaurants perfect for trying steamed crab, for which the city is affectionately known as 'Crab City'

MAY 2016

Sun 1	Baltimore, Maryland, USA
Mon 2	Relaxing at sea
Tue 3 -	New York, USA (overnight stay on board)
Wed 4	With an overnight stay on board, you can spend more time exploring this amazing city. The skyscrapers, yellow cabs, world-renowned stores, Central Park, Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building... no other city can match the Big Apple!
Thu 5	Newport, Rhode Island, USA
	Enjoy your first taste of New England in Rhode Island. Newport has a vast history which can be enjoyed on tours through opulent ocean-side mansions, interesting museums, and historic sites such as coastal forts, lighthouses and worship buildings
Fri 6	CRUISING CAPE COD CANAL
	Boston, Massachusetts, USA (arrive early afternoon - overnight stay on board)
	Boston is a fascinating stop on this itinerary and with an overnight stay, you can explore the sights for longer. Enjoy a wealth of bars, restaurants and shopping, along with the most famous bar in the world, 'Cheers'
Sat 7	Boston, Massachusetts, USA
Sun 8	Gloucester, Massachusetts, USA

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS & TIPS



Baltimore, Maryland, USA

You'll soon see why the city is called Charm City with a variety of activities, friendly people and many distinctive neighbourhoods to explore including Fell's Point, Canton, Federal Hill, Little Italy and Mount Vernon. Take advantage of the city's free transportation to soak up as many sights as possible during your overnight stay.



Hamilton, Bermuda

As you arrive in Hamilton you'll be welcomed with a view of Front Street, the life and soul of Hamilton City where you'll find the main attractions including glittering shops and delicious restaurants. Don't miss the chance to relax on beautiful Horseshoe Bay, previously rated #8 beach in the world by TripAdvisor.



New York, USA

Ride the Staten Island commuter ferry from Battery Park - not only is it free but you'll also get some amazing views of Lower Manhattan, the Statue of Liberty, and Ellis Island.



Boston, USA

Boston is compact enough to explore by foot, which makes it a perfect stop on a cruise. It's been said that the best way to discover its historic significance is to follow the famous Freedom Trail.



St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada

To visit St. John's is to have a love affair with the past, a happy marriage with the present, and a flirtation with the future. As the oldest and most easterly city in North America you'll find narrow, criss-crossing streets carved by horse and carriage over 100 years ago just waiting to be explored.

Mon 9	Portland, Maine, USA With its heady mixture of artistic and outdoor adventures, style and sophistication, Portland remains genuine and unpretentious. We invite you to experience the character of a region that blends the present with a very special past
Tue 10	Relaxing at sea
Wed 11	Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada Halifax, gateway to Atlantic Canada, is the capital region of Nova Scotia and is a lively and colourful combination of urban and rural living at its best. The historic downtown waterfront area of Halifax is perfect for discovering on foot
Thu 12	Relaxing at sea
Fri 13	St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada
Sat 14 - Tue 17	Relaxing at sea
Wed 18	Ringaskiddy (for Cork), Ireland Formerly a fishing village with century old traditions in Gaelic games and drama, this lovely harbour village offers some beautiful scenic views. From here you can take a walking tour of Cork city or discover the Jameson Distillery
Thu 19	Relaxing at sea
Fri 20	Arrive Southampton

What's Included

IN YOUR INCREDIBLE READER OFFERS LTD PACKAGE

FREE Door-to-Door transport**

FREE up to £200 on board spend for Superior Balcony Cabins and above*

FREE cabin upgrades^

34 nights of full board accommodation on board Balmoral

All meals throughout your cruise from five course à la carte dining to casual buffets and late night snacks

FREE tea and coffee on board (at selected venues)

On board leisure facilities including a spacious gym, heated swimming pools and jacuzzis

Daily on board activities and evening entertainment including cabarets, dance classes, classical concerts, arts & crafts, guest speakers and enrichment programmes

UPGRADE to an all-inclusive Drinks Package for only £10pp per night**

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Earn up to **22,698** when booking this incredible voyage, worth **£226** off your next booking with Reader Offers Ltd**



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CABIN	GRADE	READER OFFERS LTD PRICE (PP)
Inside	I	£3,499
Superior Inside	G	£3,949
FREE upgrade to an Outside Cabin (F)^		
Outside	D	£4,599
Superior Outside	C	£4,969
FREE upgrade to a Superior Outside Cabin (B)^		
Superior Balcony Cabin	BA	£6,499
Balcony Junior Suite	BJ	£7,349
Superior Suite	SS	£8,359
Premier Suite	PS	£11,349

Single cabins available from **£5,999**

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**Free Door-to-Door transport offer is applicable for departures up to 250 mainland miles away from your home booked by 8pm 31st August 2015, any additional mileage must be paid to the transport provider at the time of booking. You may be required to share the transport for all or part of the journey. Passengers may elect to use the Door-to-Door service the day before departure but will then be responsible for finding their own way to the port, at their own expense, on the day of departure. Once your transport arrangement has been confirmed; if you fail to take this arrangement and not cancel with the transport provider, then you will be liable for the cost. Your on board account will automatically be charged and your return journey cancelled. Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines booking conditions apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.

The 2016 Maiden Grand Voyage to The Indian Ocean

Le Morne Brabant, Mauritius

**SAVE UP TO
£3,000[±]**

**FREE
UP TO £1,000
ON BOARD SPEND***

**PLEASE
DO NOT DELAY
OFFER ENDS 8PM
31ST AUGUST 2015**

76 NIGHTS DEPARTING 5TH JANUARY 2016

JANUARY 2016

Tue 5 Embark Boudicca and depart Southampton

Fri 8 Leixões (for Oporto), Portugal

Sun 10 Funchal, Madeira

Mon 11 Santa Cruz, Tenerife

Thu 14 Mindelo, Cape Verde

Dominated by Monte Verde, there is so much to explore and take in, from the unique pastel-coloured villas in the plaza to the inviting shoreline streets with their market stalls. With its mix of Portuguese and African traditions, Mindelo is a really intriguing city

Fri 15 Praia, Cape Verde

Fri 22 Jamestown, St. Helena

Tue 26 Walvis Bay, Namibia

Wed 27 Luderitz, Namibia

Fri 29 - Cape Town, South Africa

Sun 31 (two night stay on board)

Cape Town is considered one of the most beautiful cities in Africa and it's easy to see why. Ascend Table Mountain by cable car and enjoy breathtaking views of the city, surrounding suburbs and Atlantic Ocean. If you can prise yourself away from this magnetic mountain, visit the charming towns of Stellenbosch and Franschhoek, regions famed for their wines

FEBRUARY 2016

Tue 2 Port Elizabeth, South Africa

Thu 4 Durban, South Africa

Fri 5 Richards Bay, South Africa

Sat 6 Maputo, Mozambique

★MAIDEN PORT OF CALL★

Maputo's National Reserve is home to an abundance of natural wonders, including a diverse range of habitats, scenic landscapes and exceptional beauty. The reserve is the ideal spot for watching birds and other wildlife

Thu 11 Port Reunion, Reunion Island

Fri 12 Port Louis, Mauritius

The capital of Mauritius, Port Louis is a melting pot of cultures, traditions and religions. The grandest architecture reflects the island's early colonial history, while it's also bustling with modern concepts including Le Caudan Waterfront. The Place d'Armes is an excellent starting point, with palm-lined streets leading to Government House

Mon 15 Diego Suarez (Antsiranana), Madagascar

Tue 16 Nosy Be, Madagascar

Fri 19 Zanzibar, Tanzania

★MAIDEN PORT OF CALL★

The exotic 'Spice Island' offers something to suit all tastes - from a cultural discovery as you stroll around the Stone Town, to Baraza, one of the world's most beautiful beaches with coral reefs along its coast

Tue 23 Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles

The best way to explore Mahé's small capital Victoria is to simply wander around by foot. Explore local markets as you take in the sights of the town centre, which has remained unchanged since its colonial era. The islands of the Seychelles are surrounded by coral gardens and colourful fish - a haven for divers and snorkelers, while the white sand beaches are a perfect retreat for relaxation

Wed 24 Praslin Island, Seychelles

Sun 28 Salalah, Oman

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RICHARDS BAY, SOUTH AFRICA

Richards Bay was once a remote lagoon, but these days nature lovers relish its abundance of wildlife, with over 300 species of birds to be found, including flamingos and the rare pink-backed pelican. The Umlalzi Nature Reserve has walking trails through dunes and forests, while the Raffia Palm Monument near the mouth of the Mlalazi River is a sight to behold

REUNION ISLAND

Reunion is truly a magical island where you'll find cascading waterfalls, breathtaking mountainscapes, lush forests and black or white sand beaches providing a haven for outdoor enthusiasts. A real treat on this amazing itinerary

PRASLIN ISLAND, SEYCHELLES

The paradise islands of the Indian Ocean are a popular honeymoon spot and you'll soon see why as you arrive in the beautiful Seychelles. Praslin Island boasts pristine, white beaches and sparkling clear seas. Relax and drift away in this dream destination

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MARCH 2016

Fri 4 - Aqaba, Jordan (overnight stay on board)

Sat 5

Sun 6 - Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt (overnight stay on board)

Mon 7

Tue 8 **TRANSIT THE SUEZ CANAL**

Port Said, Egypt (arrive late pm - overnight stay on board)

The heart of Port Said is located along the edge of the canal. Walk along the waterfront and admire the boats in the harbour, or enjoy a drink in one of the bars. Alternatively, saunter side streets and witness 19th century buildings, complete with wooden balconies. For more information on the Suez Canal, visit the Military Museum or Suez Canal House

Wed 9 Port Said, Egypt

Fri 11 Iraklion, Crete

Sun 13 Valletta, Malta

A tiny island with an epic and heroic history, Malta makes for a scenic, unforgettable stop. The 16th century walled capital of Valletta, with its Grand Harbour, is a treasure chest bursting with baroque architecture

Tue 15 Algiers, Algeria

Thu 17 Cádiz, Spain

Mon 21 Arrive Southampton

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FEBRUARY 2017

- Thu 16 Fly from London to Singapore**
(regional flights may be available on request*)
- Fri 17 Singapore**
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark Voyager for your 14 night cruise beginning with an overnight stay on board
- Sat 18 Singapore** (depart early pm)
It may seem ultra-modern, but dig a little deeper and you'll discover the mix of cultures and colonial history that give Singapore its unique character. Soak up sights such as the iconic Merlion statue and Singapore's oldest temple, to be found in Chinatown. Wandering the aerial walkway of the glorious 135-acre Gardens by the Bay is another tempting choice
- Sun 19 Port Kelang, Malaysia**
Port Kelang is your gateway to Southeast Asia's youngest capital, Kuala Lumpur. Wander its shady streets to discover temples and mosques nestling amongst cutting edge skyscrapers and tropical vegetation. Reach the skies at the Petronas Twin Towers, experience local life at the Central Market or enjoy the ambience of a tropical rainforest, without leaving the city, at the Perdana Botanical Garden

Mon 20 Langkawi, Malaysia

- Thu 23 Yangon, Myanmar** (two night stay on board)
Adorned with gold, encrusted with diamonds and said to hold strands of Buddha's hair, the Shwedagon Pagoda is the country's most revered shrine. This cruise also gives you the unique chance to visit Bagan, where more than 2,000 Buddhist temples, pagodas, stupas and ruins - mostly built between the 11th and 13th centuries - dot the plain*
- Fri 24 Yangon, Myanmar**
- Sat 25 Yangon, Myanmar** (depart early am)
- Tue 28 Trincomalee, Sri Lanka ★ MAIDEN PORT ★**

MARCH 2017

- Thu 2 Colombo, Sri Lanka** (overnight stay on board)
Today Sri Lanka is a modern city where reminders of its colonial past contrast with high-rises and malls. Turn the pages of history at the marvellous National Museum, or venture inland to meet the elephants of Pinnawela and learn more about these gentle giants at the world-renowned sanctuary
- Fri 3 Colombo, Sri Lanka**
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights may be available on request*)

Sat 4 Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

GUEST SPEAKERS

ROSALIND WHYTE will be joining you on board this cruise, exploring the work of European artists who have travelled to this area in the past.

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Postcards from Paradise



Kuda Bandos Island,
Maldives



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A gem among many, this island is an uninhabited delight. From the shade of a palm tree we skipped across the soft white sand and into the cool, clear waters for a snorkel above the vibrant coral reefs. After heading inland we also saw exotic birds and colourful reptiles!



Port Victoria,
Mahé,
Seychelles



Place
Stamp
Here

We fancied a look around one of the smallest cities in the world and managed it all on foot! The Botanical Gardens were serene and, along with the markets, beach bars and food stalls, we happily succumbed to sensory overload in these lovely islands



Port Louis,
Mauritius ☺



Place
Stamp
Here

Just when we thought it couldn't get any better we sailed in to Port Louis. To work up an appetite we walked up Signal Mountain for the spectacular views back over the harbour and beyond, before strolling back down to the most amazing local fish restaurant ever!

Why not send friends and family your own *Postcards from Paradise?*

See pages 10-11 for Fred. Olsen's **Grand Indian Ocean** voyage, see page 15 for the Voyages of Discovery **Magic of the Maldives & Seychelles** cruise or Azamara Club Cruises' **Paradise Shores of the Indian Ocean** on pages 44 & 45. Bon voyage!

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17 NIGHTS DEPARTING 19TH DECEMBER 2016

DECEMBER 2016

- Mon 19** Fly from London to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (regional flights may be available on request*)
- Tue 20** **Port Kelang, Malaysia**
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark Voyager for your 15 night cruise beginning with an overnight stay on board
- Wed 21** **Port Kelang, Malaysia**
From Port Kelang, explore the bustling metropolis of Kuala Lumpur, where you'll discover a heady mix of history and culture. Marvel at the skyline punctuated by intricate minarets and ultra-modern skyscrapers including the soaring Petronas Twin Towers
- Thu 22** **Penang, Malaysia**
- Fri 23** **Phuket, Thailand**
Head away from the pristine sands to discover Chalong Wat, the largest and most ornate of the island's 29 Buddhist temples
- Sat 24** **Langkawi, Malaysia**
- Sun 25** **SPEND CHRISTMAS DAY RELAXING AT SEA AND ENJOY A TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS DINNER ON BOARD**
- Mon 26** **Malacca, Malaysia**
- Thu 29** **CRUISING KRAKATOA VOLCANO, INDONESIA**
- Fri 30** **Semarang, Indonesia** (overnight stay on board - depart early am)
Semarang is the gateway to the spectacular UNESCO Site of Borobudur, a giant Buddhist monument which looms over a patchwork of rice fields
- Sat 31** **SPEND NEW YEAR'S EVE RELAXING AT SEA AND ENJOY THE CELEBRATIONS ON BOARD**

JANUARY 2017

- Mon 2** **Singapore** (overnight stay on board)
Step ashore to marvel at the futuristic glass and steel skyline, head to enormous malls where you can shop 'til you drop or stroll through the spectacular Gardens by the Bay
- Tue 3** **Singapore** (depart early pm)
- Wed 4** **Port Kelang, Malaysia**
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights may be available on request*)
- Thu 5** **Arrive London**

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

VOYAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Malaysia's capital Kuala Lumpur is home to some of the world's most stunning architecture.
- Experience traditional Thai culture in idyllic Phuket.
- An overnight stay in Singapore gives plenty of time to explore this majestic city.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Robin Petch will be on deck to help you identify wildlife and will lecture on whales, dolphins, sharks and more.

Steve Ragnall is a maritime historian and expert on the voyages of Captain Cook. You will enjoy his fascinating stories relating to the cruising areas you'll visit.

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MAGIC OF THE MALDIVES & SEYCHELLES

17 NIGHTS DEPARTING 2ND MARCH 2017

MARCH 2017

- Thu 2** Fly from London to Colombo, Sri Lanka
(regional flights may be available on request*)
- Fri 3** Colombo, Sri Lanka
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark Voyager for your 15 night cruise beginning with an overnight stay on board
- Sat 4** Colombo, Sri Lanka
The small island of Sri Lanka has it all - from sun-drenched beaches and rolling tea plantations to glittering temples and ancient ruins. Admire the beautiful architecture of the Old Parliament Building or join the many devotees who flock to the Sri Ponnambalam Vanesar Kovil - a colourful temple carved out of granite
- Mon 6** Malé, Maldives (overnight stay on board - depart early am)
This is the ultimate beach destination, where whiter-than-white sand and glistening azure waters teeming with exotic marine life offer scenes of picture-postcard perfection. Drift away from the beach to discover monuments to Malé's proud history
- Tue 7** Kuda Bandos, Maldives (depart mid-afternoon)
- Sat 11** Port Victoria, Seychelles (overnight stay on board)
Few capitals can claim a more stunning backdrop than Port Victoria on Mahé, which is ringed by lofty mountains and home to some of the best beaches in the Seychelles
- Sun 12** Port Victoria, Seychelles (depart early evening)
Praslin, Seychelles (arrive late pm - overnight stay on board)
- Mon 13** Praslin, Seychelles (depart early evening)
Another of the Seychelles' dream destinations is Praslin, where you'll no doubt adopt the islanders' slow pace of life. Explorers will head to the UNESCO listed Vallée de Mai, with its unique, coveted coco de mer palms and many other rare species of plants
La Digue, Seychelles (arrive late pm - overnight stay on board)
- Tue 14** La Digue, Seychelles (depart early pm)
- Fri 17** Port Louis, Mauritius (overnight stay on board)
There's a marvellous mix of African, Indian, European and Oriental influences in culturally diverse Port Louis. Discover the tea and marvel at the flora and fauna of Pamplemousses
- Sat 18** Port Louis, Mauritius
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London
(regional flights may be available on request*)
- Sun 19** Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

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GUEST SPEAKERS

Brian J Ford is a world-renowned scientist, TV host and cruise speaker. Professor Ford's books, articles and television programmes have been published around the world.

Dr Louise Bonner will be giving a variety of talks, from the role of elephants in the culture of Sri Lanka to the environmental challenges faced by the people of the Maldives.

WHY NOT EXTEND YOUR STAY?

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MAY 2016

Mon 2	Embark Marco Polo and depart London Tilbury
Wed 4	Aalborg, Denmark
Thu 5	Warnemünde (for Berlin), Germany
Sat 7	Tallinn, Estonia A fascinating blend of medieval and contemporary! Discover the beautifully preserved enchanting medieval old town with its cobbled streets and churches, then stroll around the city's stylish cafés, restaurants, shops and art galleries
Sun 8 - Mon 9	St. Petersburg, Russia (overnight stay on board) The "White Nights" of summer cast a special glow on the broad streets and fine squares of Russia's most important cultural centre. Visit the Hermitage Museum and Petrodvorets, Peter the Great's lavish summer palace
Tue 10	Helsinki, Finland Discover Finland's vibrant capital and charm from the famous Rock Church to the Suomenlinna sea fortress. Why not explore the city's highlights by tram tour or wander down the two main streets, Esplanadi and Aleksanterinkatu
Wed 11	Stockholm, Sweden Enjoy the vibrancy of Stockholm where you will be impressed by some of the spectacular tourist attractions, ranging from the interesting architecture of the City Hall to the stunning natural beauty of the archipelago
Fri 13	TRANSIT THE KIEL CANAL
Sat 14	Arrive London Tilbury

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- 1 Embark Magellan and depart London Tilbury
- 2 Relaxing at sea
- 3 **Invergordon, Scotland**
The imposing spire of the Church of Scotland dominates the skyline and those who enjoy being active can enjoy historic walks or scenic trails
- 4 **Kirkwall, Orkney Islands**
- 5 **Stornoway, Outer Hebrides**
- 6 **Tobermory, Isle of Mull**
This pretty little village is full of charm with brightly coloured houses fronting the main street that runs down to the pier
- 7 **Dublin, Ireland**
- 8 **Belfast, Northern Ireland**
- 9 **Cobh (for Cork), Ireland**
- 10 **St. Mary's, Isles of Scilly**
Lose yourself in the sub-tropical wonderland of the Treco Abbey Garden - home to many rare plants that cannot be grown anywhere else in Britain. Or explore the narrow streets of the small town of St. Mary's
- 11 **St. Malo, France**
- 12 **Honfleur, France**
- 13 **Arrive London Tilbury**

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AUGUST 2016

Sat 27 Embark Marco Polo and depart Liverpool

Sun 28 Belfast, Northern Ireland

SEPTEMBER 2016

Fri 2 St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada

Encamped on the steep slopes of a harbour, with brightly coloured row houses popping up from hilly streets, St. John's is often described as looking like a mini San Francisco. Highlights include scenic views from Signal Hill and listening to live music in a George Street pub

Sun 4 Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada

Tue 6 Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada

The largest city on Prince Edward Island, you'll find Charlottetown a delight to explore. Awash with Victorian-era houses, saunter down Prince Street in the city's historic district. Popular attractions include Province House which hosted the Charlottetown Conference and Founders Hall

Wed 7 Gaspé, Québec, Canada

Famed for its stunningly diverse collection of wildlife, Gaspé is a perfect destination for nature lovers who can visit Forillon National Park

Thu 8 **CRUISING ST. LAWRENCE RIVER**

Fri 9 Québec City, Québec, Canada

Sat 10 - Montreal, Québec, Canada (overnight stay on board)

Sun 11 A cosmopolitan city with European flair, Montreal is brimming with culture and boasts numerous architectural marvels. Each neighbourhood has its own unique charm, from traditional Chinatown, to St. Denis Street with its French influences and extravagant Plateau-Mont-Royal. You can even climb Mount Royal for panoramic views of the city

Mon 12 Saguenay, Québec, Canada

Tue 13 Sept-Îles, Québec, Canada

Renowned for its spell-binding scenery and rich heritage, in years past the region was an annual destination for European fishermen, who would travel to the waters around Sept-Îles for cod fishing and whaling

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

QUÉBEC CITY, QUÉBEC, CANADA

Home to many of the city's most famous sights, Upper Town's Old City offers a dramatic view of the St. Lawrence River and the surrounding countryside. Ride the funicular for incredible panoramic views, take a walk through Terrasse Dufferin - a beautiful terrace built in 1879 - or visit the majestic Château Frontenac

SAGUENAY, QUÉBEC, CANADA

With its fascinating nature and bustling city life, Saguenay is sure to excite. Surrounded by three national parks and the Saguenay Fjord, the region offers a multitude of activities and incredible gastronomic fare. With a number of bars and boutiques, you'll be spoilt for choice

CORNER BROOK, NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

For outdoor enthusiasts, Newfoundland is the best of what Canada has to offer. The wildlife is plentiful, including herds of caribou and more moose than anywhere else in Canada. There are rivers of trout and spawning salmon, seals and whales roam the waters offshore, while bird sanctuaries dot isolated areas

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Wed 14 Havre-Saint-Pierre, Québec, Canada

Thu 15 Cap-aux-Meules, Isles de la Madeleine, Canada

Cap-aux-Meules is one of the 12 remote islands that collectively make up the Magdalen Islands that lie in the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the northeast of Prince Edward Island. Known for their beautiful beaches, varied wildlife and red & grey cliffs, Cap-aux-Meules is the second largest in the archipelago

Fri 16 Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada

Sat 17 Corner Brook, Newfoundland, Canada

Sun 18 L'Anse aux Meadows, Newfoundland, Canada

Fri 23 Cobh, Ireland

From Cobh's waterfront, streets lined with brightly coloured houses climb the steep slope of a hill, which is crowned with the imposing St. Coleman's Cathedral. A charming little town, Cobh is a gateway to the city of Cork

Sat 24 Arrive Liverpool

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

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Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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JANUARY 2016

- Tue 5** Embark Marco Polo and depart Bristol Avonmouth
- Thu 7** La Coruña (for tours to Santiago de Compostela), Spain
- Sun 10** Las Palmas, Gran Canaria
- Wed 13** Mindelo, Cape Verde
Set around a crescent-shaped port and surrounded by barren mountains, Mindelo is Cape Verde's answer to the Riviera. Complete with cobblestone streets, pastel-coloured colonial buildings and yachts bobbing in the peaceful harbour, you'll find Mindelo full of charm
- Mon 18** Recife, Brazil
Relax on one of the world's finest beaches at Boa Viagem, visit Casa da Cultura, a former prison which is now a centre for culture and shopping, or visit the stunning Catedral São Pedro dos Clérigos, built in the late 18th century
- Wed 20** Ilhéus, Brazil
Don't miss a chance to see the city's icon - The Catedral de São Sebastião containing a unique mix of architectural styles
- Fri 22** Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (overnight stay on board)

Sat 23 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Wed 27 Buenos Aires, Argentina

Thu 28 Montevideo, Uruguay

Rich in culture and history, you'll find Montevideo a pleasure to explore. Mercado del Puerto, on the Ciudad Vieja waterfront is the ideal place to eat, or take a stroll along The Rambla for an insight into the everyday lives of the local people who can be spotted biking, fishing and enjoying the great views

Sun 31 Stanley, Falkland Islands

Visit war memorials, fascinating museums and marvel at shipwrecks in its famous harbour

FEBRUARY 2016

Tue 2 Punta Arenas, Tierra del Fuego, Chile

CRUISING THE STRAIT OF MAGELLAN

Wed 3 Ushuaia, Argentina

Thu 4 Viewing Cape Horn, Chile

This is your chance to view the famous Cape Horn from the comfort of the ship where the Atlantic Ocean meets the Pacific Ocean

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS



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USHUAIA, ARGENTINA

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BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

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Sat 6 Puerto Madryn, Argentina

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Tue 9 Rio Grande, Brazil

Thu 11 São Paulo (from Santos), Brazil

Sun 14 Salvador da Bahia, Brazil

Tue 16 Natal, Brazil

Sat 20 Praia, Santiago, Cape Verde

Tue 23 Funchal, Madeira

The flora-filled island of Madeira is known as the Atlantic's 'floating garden'. Enjoy the fragrant gardens, sample the Madeira wine in the old town or take the Monte Cable Car to enjoy spectacular views

Thu 25 Lisbon, Portugal

Sun 28 Arrive Bristol Avonmouth

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18 NIGHTS DEPARTING 6TH JUNE 2016

JUNE 2016

Mon 6	Embark Aurora and depart Southampton
Tue 7 - Wed 8	Relaxing at sea
Thu 9	Seville (from Cádiz), Spain
Fri 10 - Sat 11	Relaxing at sea
Sun 12	Messina, Sicily
Mon 13	Corfu, Greece
Tue 14	Dubrovnik, Croatia
Wed 15 - Thu 16	Venice, Italy (overnight stay on board)
Fri 17	Hvar, Croatia
Sat 18 - Mon 20	Relaxing at sea
Tue 21	Gibraltar
Wed 22 - Thu 23	Relaxing at sea
Fri 24	Arrive Southampton

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Outside	LC	£2,719
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Balcony	ED	£3,719
Mini Suite	CD	£5,349
Suite	B5	£6,299
Suite	B1	£6,749

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17 NIGHTS DEPARTING 18TH SEPTEMBER 2016

SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun 18	Embark Aurora and depart Southampton
Mon 19 - Tue 20	Relaxing at sea
Wed 21	Seville (from Cádiz), Spain
Thu 22 - Fri 23	Relaxing at sea
Sat 24	Messina, Sicily
Sun 25	Corfu, Greece
Mon 26	Dubrovnik, Croatia
Tue 27	Venice, Italy
Wed 28	Relaxing at sea
Thu 29	Valetta, Malta
Fri 30	Relaxing at sea

OCTOBER 2016

Sat 1	Relaxing at sea
Sun 2	Gibraltar
Mon 3 - Tue 4	Relaxing at sea
Wed 5	Arrive Southampton

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Suite	B5	£4,999
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FJORDS OF NORWAY

7 NIGHTS DEPARTING
9TH & 29TH MAY 2016

Day	Destination
1	Embark Britannia and depart Southampton
2	Relaxing at sea
3	Bergen, Norway Bergen is the second largest city in Norway and is a stunning old Hanseatic port. Admire the beautifully restored wooden warehouses and explore the colourful fish and flower market
4	Flåm, Norway
5	Olden, Norway
6	Stavanger, Norway Stavanger is home to a myriad of natural wonders - from Pulpit Rock, one of the most popular and photographed sites in Norway, to Lysefjord's breathtaking landscape of waterfalls and mountains
7	Relaxing at sea
8	Arrive Southampton

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CABIN	GRADE	READER OFFERS LTD FARE (PP)
Inside	PF	£749
Balcony	JE ⁺	£949
Balcony	HC	£1,059
Deluxe Balcony	DC	£1,299
Suite	B5	£1,749
Suite	B1	£1,999

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MEDITERRANEAN CITIES

14 NIGHTS DEPARTING
30TH JULY & 3RD SEPTEMBER 2016

Day	Destination
1	Embark Britannia and depart Southampton
4	Seville (from Cádiz), Spain
6	Barcelona, Spain Gaudi's influence is palpable; from his quirky mosaics lining picture-perfect Park Guell, to the centerpiece of the city La Sagrada Familia - the Catalans' pride and joy
7	Monte Carlo, Monaco
8	Rome (from Civitavecchia), Italy This Roman gem is ripe with icons; flock to the unmistakable Colosseum to channel your inner gladiator, toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain, or head to the Vatican for an historical insight
9	Naples, Italy
11	Cartagena, Spain
12	Gibraltar
15	Arrive Southampton

Itinerary is based on 3rd September 2016 departure and ports of call may differ on other date
Days not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR READER OFFERS LTD FARES

CABIN	GRADE	READER OFFERS LTD FARE (PP)
Inside	PF	£1,299
Balcony	JE ⁺	£1,799
Balcony	HD	£1,979
Deluxe Balcony	DC	£2,449
Suite	B5	£2,899
Suite	B1	£3,399

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Here's how it works...

Complete and return the cryptic crossword and form below to arrive no later than **19th August 2015**. Send in to our Freepost address: **Freepost RSLH-GBZG-LBZC, Blue Horizons Crossword, September 2015, Reader Offers Ltd, Lexden House, Colchester, Essex CO3 4DB.**

The winner will be the first correct entry drawn on 20th August 2015.

ACROSS

- 1** Alan not starting in the upper room at sea (8)
- 8** One taking that Parisian channel bridge (8)
- 9** Head Office operation before the French game (6)
- 10** One expecting mob there to disband (6-2-2)
- 11** Story book reveals natural ability (6)
- 13** One's brown animal losing tail in Turkey (8)
- 15** Playmates graced mysterious festival in Canada (7,8)
- 19** Migrating bird in is port in southern Europe (8)
- 21** Recount that is right to raise the spirits (6)
- 23** Chairs Matt rearranged in Dutch city (10)
- 25** Come quickly with corset (4-2)
- 26** Tribal leader entered Bairiki travelling round this country (8)
- 27** First-rate spinner not Chinese (3-5)

DOWN

- 1** Acrobatic follower of Charlton (8)
- 2** Lillian trapping single man (6)
- 3** Sides with short-term driver (8)
- 4** Leading seaman's taking pale brown cookie (8,7)
- 5** Prince in British Columbia who is rugby forward (6)
- 6** Passage used in railroad itinerary (4)
- 7** Stuck in the water? Hardly! (8)
- 12** The Spanish spirit found in Scotland (5)
- 14** Plane sailing round the country (5)
- 16** Part of Mediterranean gave man interminable twitch (8)
- 17** Expose and take off one's clothes, it is used for take-off (8)
- 18** In chapel even this late hour (8)
- 20** Make a hostile incursion in a way (6)
- 22** A Greek character enabled to have charm (6)
- 24** Maharishi placed inside vessel (4)

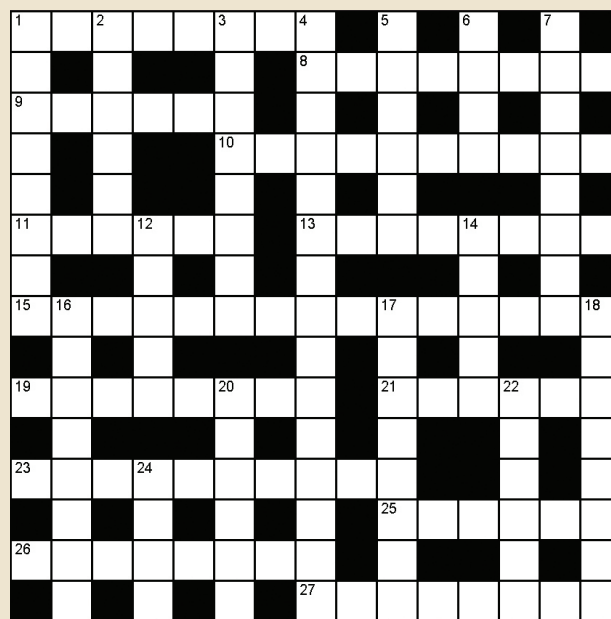
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Crossword Solution

AUGUST

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Fri 3 Florence/Pisa (from Livorno), Italy
Sat 4 Rome (from Civitavecchia), Italy
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Sun 5 Amalfi Coast (Salerno), Italy
Mon 6 Relaxing at sea
Tue 7 Mykonos, Greece
Wed 8 Santorini, Greece
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2	Sydney, Australia Upon arrival, transfer to the Mercure Hotel† for your three night stay	23 Esperance, Australia
3	Sydney, Australia Enjoy your FREE Sydney City Tour* . Discover what makes Sydney so special on this fantastic city tour	26 Adelaide, Australia
4	Explore Sydney at your leisure	28 Melbourne, Australia
5	Sydney, Australia Transfer to the port and embark Radiance of the Seas® for your 33 night Australasian Circumnavigation	31 CRUISING MILFORD SOUND CRUISING DOUBTFUL SOUND CRUISING DUSKY SOUND
7	Brisbane, Australia Brisbane is the gateway to adventures with a uniquely Australian flavour, whether it is to a wildlife park, the green-clad Mount Tamborine plateau, or the dazzling beaches of Queensland's fabled Gold Coast	32 Dunedin, Australia
10	Cairns (from Yorkeys Knob), Australia Nestled between mountains, mangroves and the Coral Sea, Cairns is the gateway to Tropical North Queensland, home to the World Heritage Great Barrier Reef and Tropical Rainforests	33 Akaroa, New Zealand The quintessentially French settlement of Akaroa is situated on a picturesque harbour, flanked by the volcanic slopes it nestles on. The ideal way to get about is on foot; whilst doing so, admire the colonial architecture, dainty cottages or largest penguin colony on mainland New Zealand
13	Darwin, Australia	34 Wellington, New Zealand Set on the edge of a beautiful harbour surrounded by rolling hills and stunning scenery, it's a city waiting to be explored; enjoy the great outdoors, shop 'till you drop, sample the culinary delights and wander picturesque vineyards
16	Benoa, Bali, Indonesia Sought-after Bali is home to turquoise seas and beautiful white sands, not to mention over 10,000 temples	35 Pictou, New Zealand
18	Port Hedland, Australia	38 Sydney, Australia Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)
20	Geraldton, Australia	39 Arrive London

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Deluxe Balcony	E3	£5,699	£4,999
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11 NIGHTS DEPARTING 15TH JANUARY, 4TH & 13TH FEBRUARY AND 3RD MARCH 2016

OTHER DATES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Day 1	Fly direct from London to Bergen Transfer to the port and embark your ship	Day 8	Honningsvåg - Hammerfest - Tromsø Hammerfest was founded in 1789 and in its time was Norway's polar capital, acting as a base for hunting expeditions to the high Arctic. Your next stop will be Tromsø, where you can enjoy The Arctic Cathedral whilst attending an optional midnight concert
Day 2	Ålesund - Molde Enjoy the nature of the coastline as you sail towards Ålesund, a city renowned for its Art Nouveau architecture	Day 9	Harstad - Lofoten Islands The Vesterålen and Lofoten Islands are amongst today's highlights. In the morning you transit Risøyrenna, a channel that was specially made for Hurtigruten. You continue to a detour into the spectacular Trollfjord where steep cliffs hug the ship's sides (time and weather permitting)
Day 3	The Royal City of Trondheim Explore the medieval city of Trondheim. Head to one of the many museums on offer, or simply admire the colourful wooden houses	Day 10	Rørvik The Helgeland coast with its hundreds of islets, fertile farmland and steep granite walls is rich in local lore. Legends include that of the Seven Sisters, a row of mountain peaks, and how an arrow fired by the troll Hestmannen formed the hole in Torgatten Mountain
Day 4	Bodø - Svolvær (Lofoten Islands) Crossing the Arctic Circle, you'll enter the realm of the magnificent Aurora Borealis	Day 11	The Royal City of Trondheim and Kristiansund Kristiansund is a historic town and Norway's cod fishing capital, which anglers will cherish
Day 5	Tromsø Known as the "Gateway to the Arctic" and surrounded by spectacular scenery, the snowy peaks provide a beautiful backdrop when viewing the Northern Lights	Day 12	Bergen Bid farewell to your ship, her wonderful crew and fellow passengers. Transfer to the airport for your flight to London
Day 6	Hammerfest - Honningsvåg (for optional excursions to the North Cape*) Your day starts by sailing through Magerøysund before an early stop in Hammerfest. After a brief stop in Havøysund, you arrive in Honningsvåg, the gateway to the spectacular North Cape		
Day 7	Kirkenes The ship starts its southbound voyage revealing ports during the daytime that you passed at night on your journey north		

Above is a selection of ports of call visited
For a full itinerary, please ask your cruise specialist

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ECO-FRIENDLY SHIPS

Thanks to new government regulations, international standards and Eco-conscious cruise lines (not to mention guests) the future of cruising looks greener than ever. But which ships are towing the line, and which are steering the way? We pick the Top 5 in ship-shape condition...

1

Several years ago, **CELEBRITY** embarked upon a fleet-wide plan to go greener with a number of initiatives. Eco-friendly factors include solar panels, LED lights, recycling, water purification and reduced drag. The Celebrity Galapagos Experience follows strict environmental guidelines, and raises money through the Galapagos Fund. While many of Celebrity's ships have won awards, Celebrity Solstice is their showcase, saving a whopping 50% on energy through 216 solar panels alone.

✓ ISO Certified* ✓ 19 Environmental Awards ✓ On board Environmental Officers ✓ In-cabin information ✓ Eco-educated crew



2

NCL turned a leaf with their 'Eco-smart Cruising' program designed to embrace the environment. Via innovative technology, systems and policies, Norwegian represents a holistic approach to recycling, energy and emission reduction: they recycle more than 30% of waste, reduce drag through a non-toxic slick hull coating and emit low-sulphur fumes. State of the art technology includes an emulsion-breaking oily water system, re-usable waste oil, heat recovery and Azipod propulsion units. Furthermore, the Plus Class ships feature innovative 'scrubber technology' in which sea water washes out SO2 from exhaust gasses.

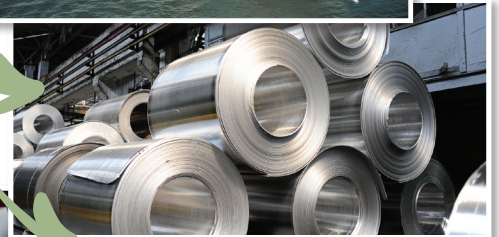
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3

MSC post Environmental Officers on-board, but go one further by stationing them at ports to oversee operations. Advanced waste processing, recycling and enviro-friendly incineration help to put one's mind at rest, as does the processing of aluminium cans into sheets. Importantly, MSC set the benchmark for plastic reduction, replacing disposable materials with sustainable ones. A clever system disables lights and electrical equipment when cabins are not in use, and advice is disseminated in cabins. MSC have also won the Seven Golden Pearls award and the first Energy Efficiency designation by Bureau Veritas.

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4

The world is **SEABOURN's** oyster, which is why their seafood is sustainably sourced. It's also why their commitment to the environment is vital. Awareness is evident through green cleaning supplies, recycling, donations of items for re-use, and reduced bed linen and towel changes. Advanced waste-water treatment systems are in place and water is recycled where possible. What's more, fuel efficiency has risen to 5%, and Environmental Officers are stationed on-board every ship to ensure that Seabourn is meeting, and improving upon, ISO certificate standards.

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5

As one of the most famous cruise lines in the world, **CUNARD** carries a lion's share of enviro-responsibility. Their twin-pronged approach cuts emissions through operational and technological initiatives, with a near-30% fuel reduction since 2010. Besides grey, black and bilge water treatment systems, they adhere to strict recycling, and their low energy lights are controlled by sensors. Heat redistribution is another energy-saving plus, and Cunard only purchase seafood from sustainable sources.

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2	Port of Spain, Trinidad
3	St. George's, Grenada Sailors through the centuries have rated it one of the world's prettiest harbours and it is hard to disagree. Horseshoe-shaped and set in a volcanic crater, Grenada's capital St. George's is flanked by two forts, with colourful French colonial style buildings ranged along the front
4	Roseau, Dominica
5	Fort-de-France, Martinique
6	Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe Why not head for the suburb of Le Gosier, for Guadeloupe's main seaside resort and explore pretty streets where colonial and modern buildings coexist
7	Philipsburg, St. Maarten
8	Road Town, British Virgin Islands
9	La Romana, Dominican Republic
10	Basseterre, St. Kitts & Nevis St. Kitts' perfect mixture of deserted beaches, sleepy villages, lush rainforest and mini mountain range with dormant volcano could perfectly represent paradise
11	St. John's, Antigua With 365 beaches, there is a slice of white-sand heaven for every day of the year. It also played host to Admiral Horatio Nelson's fleet in the late 1700s and you can explore Nelson's Dockyard which, these days, is filled with luxury yachts
12	Fort-de-France, Martinique This chic, beautiful beguiling island offers a taste of France deep in the heart of the Caribbean. It also possesses an endearing West Indian warmth in its personality and a special Caribbean spice in its music, dance and cuisine
13	Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe
14	Castries, St. Lucia Cloaked in verdant rainforests, its skyline dominated by the dramatic twin peaks of Les Pitons and its gardens a riot of hibiscus and bougainvillea; St. Lucia is the epitome of a Caribbean paradise
15	Bridgetown, Barbados Disembark and transfer to the airport for your direct flight to London
16	Arrive London

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Aurea Balcony	B3	£3,099
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The Panama Canal

Built from 1904 to 1914, the Panama Canal measures 52 miles and joining the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean, it is an integral part of any voyage to the Central American region.

From the Canal's opening day to present, nearly a million ships have passed through the mighty locks. Encompassing tragedy and triumph, Spanish kings, conquistadors and five different American presidents, the building of this massive project spanned 400 years. And today, over 100 years after its completion, the Panama Canal remains one of the most vital trade routes in the world.

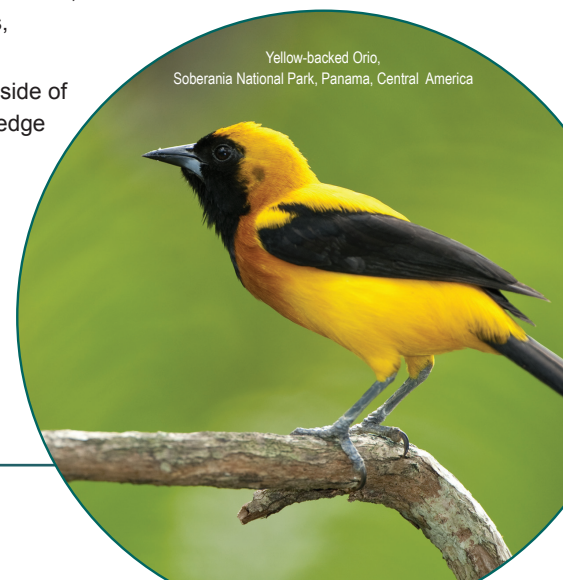
What makes the Panama Canal remarkable is its self sufficiency. The dam at Gatun, is able to generate the electricity to run all the motors which operate the canal as well as the locomotives in charge of towing the ships through the canal. No force is required to adjust the water level between the locks except gravity. As the lock operates, the water simply flows into the locks from the lakes or flows out to the sea level channels. The canal also relies on the overabundant rainfall of the area to compensate for the loss of the 52 million gallons of fresh water consumed during each crossing.

Although the crossing takes nine hours to complete, it is still the quickest link between the Atlantic and the Pacific - while also being the most beautiful. On a passage from Balboa, on

the Pacific coast, a series of locks ascend to Miraflores Lake. Through the Culebra Cut it continues into Gatun Lake where the Soberania National Park, possibly the most accessible rainforest in the world and resplendent with exotic birdlife, can be found. The channel then narrows and passes the Americas Interoceanic National Park before passing close to the ruined forts of Portobelo and San Lorenzo, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and into the Atlantic.

The sights on either side of your ship, the knowledge of the Panama Canal's creation and the wonderful destinations on the fringes of two of the world's great oceans make this one experience that is guaranteed to never be forgotten.

Yellow-backed Orio,
Soberania National Park, Panama, Central America



Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

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Day	Destination	
1	Fly from London to San Diego, California Upon arrival, transfer to a hotel† for your overnight stay	11 Relaxing at sea
2	San Diego, California Transfer to the port and embark Celebrity Infinity® for your 15 night voyage	12 TRANSIT THE PANAMA CANAL
3	Relaxing at sea	13 Relaxing at sea
4	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico The city of Cabo San Lucas has plenty of charm. Visit Land's End, known for its excellent views and walk along the picture-perfect Playa del Amante. Alternatively, the 300 year old Iglesia de San Lucas and Casa de la Cultura are worth discovering	14 Willemstad, Curaçao Curaçao's west coast boasts some of the best beaches in the Caribbean, many of which are perfect for divers. With its rich history dating back to the 16 th century, capital Willemstad is a bustling city bursting with museums, old architecture and a number of parks
5	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico This magnificent beach destination is sheltered by the second largest bay in the continent, the Bahía de Banderas, and is famous for its abundance of marine life	15 - 16 Relaxing at sea
6 - 7	Relaxing at sea	17 Fort Lauderdale, Florida Disembark and transfer to the airport for your overnight flight to London
8	Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala Puerto Quetzal is steeped in Mayan history so why not embark on a cultural journey discovering ancient Mayan ruins and the ancient city of Tikal. If you are looking to relax and unwind, then spend the day lounging on idyllic sands as Puerto Quetzal boasts some of the finest beaches in the area	18 Arrive London
9	Relaxing at sea	
10	Puntarenas, Costa Rica Located along the Pacific Coast of Costa Rica, Puntarenas is a great place to see native wildlife such as the scarlet macaw and the capuchin monkey. This region's volcanic terrain and rainforest environment continue to attract travellers from around the world	

Itinerary is based on 16th April 2017 departure and ports of call may vary on other date

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JANUARY 2017

- Thu 19 Fly from London to Santiago, Chile**
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- Fri 20 Santiago, Chile**
Upon arrival, transfer to a 5★ hotel† for your two night stay
- Sat 21 Santiago, Chile**
With an extended stay you can explore at your leisure
- Sun 22 Santiago, Chile**
Transfer to the port in Valparaiso and embark Celebrity Infinity® for your 14 night luxurious South American exploration
- Tue 24 Puerto Montt, Chile**
- Wed 25 CRUISING THE CHILEAN FJORDS**
These are some of the most magnificent fjords in the world. As your eyes work their way up the jagged walls of mammoth glaciers, you may be rewarded with an Andean condor sighting. On the ocean's surface, the Magellan penguins always put on a good show
- Thu 26 CRUISING THE STRAIT OF MAGELLAN**
- Fri 27 Punta Arenas, Chile**
- Sat 28 Ushuaia, Argentina**
- Sun 29 CRUISING CAPE HORN, CHILE**
- Tue 31 Puerto Madryn, Argentina**
Step into the pages of National Geographic in this unique ecosystem.

Three-ton elephant seal bulls bask with their harems along the shoreline, sea lion and penguin colonies abound, and the Southern Right Whale's breeding grounds are just offshore

FEBRUARY 2017

- Thu 2 Punta del Este, Uruguay**
- Fri 3 Montevideo, Uruguay**
Visit Ciudad Vieja district and see how the Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, French and British all left their imprint on the old city. At Harbour Market, try meat roasted over an open-air grill, washed down with Medio y Medio (half wine, half cider)
- Sat 4 Buenos Aires, Argentina (overnight stay on board)**
Prepare for pleasure in the Paris of South America. In the oldest barrio - San Telmo, try the tango and the (equally spicy) chorizo sausage. Visit an estancia (ranch) to see cowboy horsemanship at its best, then pay homage to Evita at Casa Rosita
- Sun 5 Buenos Aires, Argentina**
Disembark and transfer to the Madero Hotel† for your two-night stay, including breakfast
- Mon 6 Buenos Aires, Argentina**
Explore Buenos Aires at your leisure
- Tue 7 Buenos Aires - Iguazú Falls (Brazilian side)**
Transfer to the airport for a short flight to Iguazú. Enjoy an incredible tour at the base of the waterfall where you will capture the sheer magnitude



DID YOU KNOW?

Taller than Niagara Falls and twice as wide, Iguazú Falls is actually a result of a volcanic eruption which left a large crack in the earth

of this natural marvel. Following this you will take a higher view and be mesmerised by the Grand Falls of Salto Floreano. Here you'll be treated to a two night stay at the Loi Suites Iguazú Hotel† (B,L)

Wed 8 Iguazú Falls (Argentinian side)

Awake in luxury in the subtropical jungle of Iryapu, followed by an adventure discovering Iguazú Falls from the Argentinian side. On different footbridges, you will visit the heart of the waterfalls, appreciating them from different angles. Visit the lower circuit and refresh yourself with waterfall spray, then it's on to the upper circuit stopping at different viewpoints. You will finally reach the balcony at Garganta del Diablo (Devil's Throat), no doubt the most amazing view of the falls which will literally take your breath away (B,L)

Thu 9 Buenos Aires, Argentina

After breakfast at your hotel, you'll be transferred to the airport and return to Buenos Aires followed by your transfer to the Madero Hotel† for your overnight stay, including breakfast

Fri 10 Buenos Aires, Argentina

Transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional and premium class flights available on request*)

Sat 11 Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea.
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The itinerary for 27th February 2017 departure operates in reverse.
B=Breakfast, L=Lunch

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Sky Suite	S2	£7,699
Celebrity Suite	CS	SOLD OUT
Royal Suite	RS	£10,299

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19 NIGHTS DEPARTING 10TH APRIL 2016

APRIL 2016

Sun 10 Fly from London to Tahiti, French Polynesia on your free flight
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Mon 11 Papeete, Tahiti, French Polynesia

Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark Marina for your 17 night South Pacific voyage

Tue 12 Moorea, French Polynesia

Moorea's lush, jagged vistas, encircled by deep blue ocean, resemble a vast star-shaped garden, branching out into eight valleys. You can walk barefoot on clean, quiet beaches or swim in the crystalline lagoons, where snorkelling opportunities abound

Wed 13 Raiatea, French Polynesia

You'll notice the rich scent of vanilla the moment you step off the ship onto this stunning island, with its vanilla plantations scattered throughout. Visit a pearl farm, snorkel the clear waters of the surrounding reef, or take a kayak trip along the Faaroa River

Thu 14 Bora Bora, French Polynesia

If its idyllic location isn't captivating enough, there's the sheer decadent beauty of the place. Silky stretches of deserted white sand. The rocky black peaks of Mount Otemanu and Mount Pahia. And all of it bounded by a necklace of coral gardens dotting a fish-filled lagoon. Maybe this explains why honeymooners and Hollywood types have been enchanted with this Polynesian pearl for decades

Fri 15 Rangiroa, French Polynesia

Sat 16 Fakarava, French Polynesia

Tue 19 Pitcairn Islands on board experience

Fri 22 Hanga Roa, Easter Island (overnight stay on board)

Enigmatic Easter Island is the world's most remote inhabited island, famous for its mysterious Moai statues. Nearly 900 were created at the great sculpture workshop in a quarry on the rocky slopes of the Rano Raraku volcano. Roughly half of these intriguing statues are scattered across the island's volcanic landscape

Sat 23 Hanga Roa, Easter Island

Thu 28 Callao (for Lima), Peru

Disembark and transfer to the airport for your free flight to London (regional and premium class flights available on request[±])

Fri 29 Arrive London

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HEADING TO *Havana*



ONCE THE US AND CUBA STARTED TO TALK AT THE END OF LAST YEAR, IT WAS NEVER GOING TO BE LONG BEFORE THE MAINSTREAM CRUISE LINES STARTED TO PLAN VISITING THE ISLAND. BUT WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT THE FIRST TO GO WOULD BE MSC, FOLLOWED JUST A FEW MONTHS LATER BY CARNIVAL CORPORATION.

MSC was a surprise, but only because the company has spoken so much of the Mediterranean, Gulf and cracking America with its first Sunshine ship that it never occurred to me to think they were looking Cuba's way.

Carnival though? Now that was a shock - not the fact the company wants to go there, because Americans have been hankering to set foot on the island for years, but it has managed to get the green light to visit before the US travel ban to Cuba has been lifted. Amazingly it has been in place for around 50 years.

It's all thanks to Adonia, the soon-to-be-much-missed P&O ship that is moving to fathom, the new [all lower case] cruise line Carnival is launching next April. Because the new brand is aimed at

travellers who will be using their skills to help people in poorer countries (so-called volunteerism), the US government has granted it a license to go to Cuba.

At the time of writing, fathom's itinerary hasn't been finalised, but it will be starting the Cuba runs in May 2016 and I imagine it will include at least two days in Havana. It would be really great if it also visits one of Cuba's other cities, or even Antilla, on the north-east coast, where the volunteers can lend their time and skills to help country folk.

Either way, that both lines will be taking visitors to Cuba is fantastic news for the local people, who hopefully will benefit financially from the influx of tourists but also manage to continue to govern their own future and retain their culture despite the power of the Yankee dollar.

I have visited Cuba twice, most recently in February, and it is a wonderful place. You can walk around without being hassled and the streets are full of local restaurants and shops rather than being overrun by cheap t-shirt emporiums, Starbucks or McDonalds.

Happily there is a lot more to Cuba than shopping. I had three glorious days getting to know Havana and its beautiful colonial architecture. I took a ride in one of the 1950 American cars that these days do service as taxis, and was shaken around in a yellow tuk-tuk, known locally as a Coco taxi.

I learned how to make rum and roll cigars (don't think I'll ever be as fast as the ladies who churn out hundreds of smokes a day), and of course I had to have a mojito (or two!) in Floridita, one



of US author Ernest Hemingway's favourite bars. It's actually where he went for a daiquiri but I'm not a fan of that particular beverage.

MSC will be basing MSC Opera in Havana, and staying overnight in the city so passengers have two and a half days to explore. The ship, which has more balcony cabins and flexible dining options after being 'stretched' during a two-month dry-dock this summer, will also be calling at Montego Bay in Jamaica, Cozumel in Mexico and Georgetown in Cayman Islands.

It's a great itinerary, but would be even better if it extended the Cuba bit of the cruise because the cities of Santiago de Cuba, the seat of the revolution, and Cienfuegos, founded by the French, are really worth a visit. Just saying...

OH I DO LIKE TO BE BESIDE THE SEASIDE

I know it is a bit geeky, but I love shipyard visits, either to see the start of a new-build or touring the shell of a vessel when it is floated out for the first time.

So I was in my element in June, when I joined the bosses of MSC Cruises at the Fincantieri shipyard in Monfalcone, Italy, to watch the sparks fly as the first piece of steel was cut for the company's new-generation MSC Seaside.

The giant vessel - she holds just over 5,000 passengers - launches in November 2017 and will be based year-round in Miami to spearhead MSC's breakthrough into the American market (they do sail from the US now, but have never managed to become a household name there).

In line with the cruise line trend to 're-connect passengers with the sea', her restaurants will have both inside and outside seating areas. She will also have new family suites, an exclusive Yacht Club and an aqua park with five water slides.

A TASTE OF LUXURY

The rumours have finally come true and Silversea has ordered a new ship.

The company didn't give much away in its announcement, just that the new ship will be called Silver Muse, hold 596 passengers and launch in spring 2017.

Silversea fans must be delighted. The ship has been such a long time coming - the last Silversea newbie was Silver Spirit in 2009 - that I think it has been left behind the curve by luxury rivals Seabourn and Regent Seven Seas Cruises.

Both these companies placed orders for new builds some time ago, in the process promising tonnage that would be bigger and better than anything we have seen so far in the ultra-luxury market. In fact, Regent has gone so far as to claim that the new Seven Seas Explorer will be the most luxurious ship in the world. It's a bold statement, but I have to say that what I've seen and heard so far is impressive. Silversea is far more modest. Silver Muse will simply 'raise the bar in the ultra-luxury market'. You'll have to wait a bit longer to find out what that means!



Steel-cutting at the shipyard for MSC Seaside, from left: Gianni Onorato, MSC Cruises CEO, Giuseppe Bono, Fincantieri CEO, Pierfrancesco Vago, MSC Cruises Executive Chairman

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Day 3 Beijing, China

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, hutongs tour with home-hosted lunch and Peking Duck Welcome Dinner with complimentary wine

Your first full day in Beijing takes you to Tiananmen Square, which is both a centre of contemporary civic life in Beijing and the gateway to the Forbidden City, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Next, you'll take a rickshaw ride through the hutongs, the historic neighbourhoods of old Beijing. A local family will invite you into their home for lunch. Later in the evening, you'll enjoy a Welcome Dinner of succulent Peking Duck, a signature dish of the city, served with wine (B, L, D)

Day 4 Beijing, China

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: The Great Wall and kung fu show at Beijing's Red Theatre

Walk along the UNESCO-designated Great Wall. Later in the evening, be treated to a mesmerising show that combines kung fu prowess with acrobatics and dance; it's the best performance in town (B, L, D)

Day 5 Beijing, fly to Xi'an, China

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: Temple of Heaven and traditional dumpling banquet

The Temple of Heaven is a UNESCO-designated site that dates back to the 15th century. A masterpiece of architectural and landscape design, it influenced architecture throughout China for centuries. After lunch, you'll fly to the ancient city of Xi'an, where you'll settle into the elegant Shangri-La Hotel[‡]. Xi'an for a two night stay. Later, head to a local restaurant to feast on the delicious dumplings that are a speciality of the region (B, L, D)

Day 6 Xi'an, China

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: Museum of the Terracotta Warriors and Horses, City Wall and Tang Dynasty dinner show

Visit the museum that is home to over 8,000 life-sized Terracotta Warriors and Horses. You'll then see the ancient city wall built to protect Xi'an from invaders. This evening, enjoy a traditional dinner with rice wine and a cultural performance that re-creates the music, folk dances and traditional costumes of the Tang Dynasty (B, L, D)

Day 7 Xi'an, fly to Lhasa, Tibet

Fly to Lhasa, the ancient cultural and religious centre of Tibet, and check into the supremely comfortable Shangri-La Hotel Lhasa[‡] for a three night stay, where you'll enjoy dinner in the evening (B, D)

Day 8 Lhasa, Tibet

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: Jokhang Temple and Tibet Museum

See the holiest site in Tibet: gold-domed Jokhang Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage site that contains a 7th century statue of Buddha. Tour the rich collection of prehistoric artefacts at the Tibet Museum. Visit a Lhasa family's home, then savour dinner accompanied by a traditional folk show (B, L, D)

Day 9 Lhasa, Tibet

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: Potala Palace and Sera Monastery

The vast, UNESCO-designated Potala Palace is exceptionally well preserved. Wander through its chapels as pilgrims make offerings at 1,000 year-old altars, and admire the religious paintings called thangkas. From here, you'll head off to see Sera Monastery's colourful murals and mandalas (B, L, D)

Day 10 Lhasa, fly to Chongqing, cruising the Yangtze River

FEATURED EXCURSION: Chongqing Zoo

Fly to Chongqing, where you'll visit the giant pandas at the city's wonderful zoo before boarding Century Legend[®] for your three night 6★ Yangtze River cruise (B, L, D)



Day 11 Cruising the Yangtze River, Shibaozhai

FEATURED EXCURSION: Shibao Pagoda

Mist-shrouded peaks loom above the winding Yangtze for miles as you cruise through the Three Gorges region. Every view is a picture straight out of China's iconic watercolour illustrations. Your ship will stop at the Shibao Pagoda, a colourful 12-storey temple built into the side of a hill that is now an island as a result of the rising waters from the Three Gorges Dam. Enjoy a Captain's Welcome Reception with complimentary wine in the evening (B, L, D)

Day 12 Cruising the Yangtze River, Shennong Stream

FEATURED EXCURSION: Explore Shennong Stream

You'll get a close-up view of the breathtaking landscape as you board a small boat and cruise along the Shennong Stream, a tributary to the Yangtze. Later in the day, your ship will navigate the enormous Three Gorges Dam locks. In the evening, a Farewell Dinner with complimentary wine will be served (B, L, D)

Note: Due to water conditions a Lesser Gorges boat tour may be substituted for the Shennong Stream boat tour

Day 13 Cruising the Yangtze River, Yichang, fly to Shanghai, China

FEATURED EXCURSION: Three Gorges Dam

Before you disembark in Yichang, you'll tour the world's largest hydroelectric project, the Three Gorges Dam, which supplies power to millions of people. Following your visit, you'll fly to Shanghai. Settle into your lovely room in the peaceful Pudong Shangri-La[®] hotel for a two night stay and relax over a buffet dinner at your hotel (B, L, D)

Day 14 Shanghai, China

FEATURED EXCURSIONS: Shanghai city tour, dim sum lunch and Shanghai Acrobats performance

Shanghai, located at the mouth of the Yangtze, has been a trading centre for 400 years. Today, it's an economic dynamo with one of the busiest ports in the world. Stroll along The Bund, Shanghai's famed waterfront promenade, and take in its historic buildings and its spectacular view of the high-rises that typify China's largest city. Savour a dim sum lunch at your hotel, then take some time to browse through the district's unique shops. In the evening, prepare to be dazzled by the world-renowned Shanghai Acrobats (B, L)

Day 15 Depart Shanghai, China

Transfer to the airport for your flight home to London (regional and premium class flights available on request*). Arrive London same day (B)

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- Day 2** **Amsterdam**
Take a canal cruise or journey to the picturesque village of Zaanse Schans. Tonight, savour a Gala Welcome Dinner
- Day 3** **Cologne, Bonn, Andernach & A Royal Invitation**
Tour Cologne or travel by coach to Bonn for a city tour. Later, explore Narny Castle on an exclusive visit, including a lavish banquet in the ballroom
- Day 4** **Rüdesheim**
Cruise the Rhine Gorge to Rüdesheim. Here, you may wish to take a gondola ride or tour Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum
- Day 5** **Miltenberg**
After breakfast and an on board glassblowing demonstration, disembark in Miltenberg. Here, discover the local way of life during a unique village experience. Explore quaint shops and mingle with locals on a day to remember

- Day 6** **Würzburg**
In Würzburg today, you may like to embark on a tour that will take you through the city to the magnificent Residential Palace. Inside, marvel at intricate tapestries, gilded stucco work and ceiling frescoes by Tiepolo
- Day 7** **Bamberg**
Upon arrival, disembark and set off on your chosen activity. Perhaps explore this beautiful medieval city on a walking tour. Or learn about the city's ancient brewing techniques on a walking tour that includes a tasting of Rauchbier (smoked beer). Later, rejoin your ship to cruise into the Main-Danube Canal
- Day 8** **Nuremberg**
Explore Nuremberg on a historic city tour. Visit World War II sites, including the Reich Party Rally Grounds, where six Nazi Party rallies were held between 1933 and 1938. See the spectacular medieval architecture, including the 900 year old ramparts that surround the city
- Day 9** **Regensburg**
Upon arrival here, disembark your ship for a guided tour of the city's architectural highlights. See such sites as the Old Town Hall, the world heritage-listed city centre and the ancient Romanesque Porta Pretoria. Later, rejoin your ship and enjoy a sumptuous dinner on board

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Day 11 Melk & Dürnstein

Arrive in Melk and tour Melk Abbey, or enjoy a walking tour through the city. Then, either ride a bicycle or cruise to Dürnstein

Day 12 Vienna & A Royal Invitation

Enjoy a walking tour of Vienna. After dinner, delight in a Cocktail Reception followed by a private concert at the City Palace

Day 13 Vienna

On your second day in Vienna, tour Schönbrunn Palace; join an excursion to Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia; or explore the Fine Arts Museum

Day 14 Budapest

Tour Budapest then visit the Hungarian State Opera House for a private opera recital. After the Captain's Farewell Dinner, enjoy a twilight cruise

Day 15 Budapest

After breakfast, disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights are available on request*)

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APRIL 2017

Fri 21 Fly from London to Mumbai, India (regional and premium class flights available on request*)

Sat 22 Mumbai, India
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Sun 23 Relaxing at sea

Mon 24 - Cochin, India (overnight stay on board)

Tue 25 Serene Cochin has been drawing traders and explorers to its shores for over 600 years. Nowhere else in India can you find such an intriguing mix: giant fishing nets from China, a 400-year-old synagogue, ancient mosques, Portuguese houses and the crumbling remains of the British Raj

Wed 26 - Relaxing at sea
Fri 28

Sat 29 Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles

Sun 30 Praslin, Seychelles (overnight stay on board)

MAY 2017

Mon 1 Praslin, Seychelles (depart early pm)
La Passe, La Digue, Seychelles

Tue 2 Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles
The best way to explore Mahé's small capital Victoria is to simply wander around by foot. Explore local markets as you take in the sights of the town centre, which has remained unchanged since its colonial era. The islands

of the Seychelles are surrounded by coral gardens and colourful fish - a haven for divers and snorkellers, while the white sand beaches are a perfect retreat for relaxation

Wed 3 - Relaxing at sea
Fri 5

Sat 6 Kuda Bandos Island, Maldives

Off the coast of the island of Bandos lies the uninhabited tiny little island oasis of Kuda Bandos. It's one of the 1,192 coral atolls of the Maldives, and you can't help but escape on this island paradise

Sun 7 Relaxing at sea

Mon 8 - Colombo, Sri Lanka (overnight stay on board)

Tue 9 Go on a cultural journey as you explore this melting pot of nations. Head to Galle Face Green - a haven within the bustling city with a pretty beach area, or marvel at some of the world's most striking temples including the beautiful Gangaramaya Temple

Wed 10 Relaxing at sea

Thu 11 Mormugao, Goa, India

Discover a mixture of Indian culture and European influences in this exotic destination where shimmering beaches with palm trees make an ideal spot to soak up the warm sunshine

Fri 12 Mumbai (Bombay), India

Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional and premium class flights available on request*)

Sat 13 Arrive London

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KUDA BANDOS ISLAND, MALDIVES

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Maritime Memories

with Nigel Lingard
(Non-Executive Director, Reader Offers Ltd)



A RECENT FLURRY OF NEW CRUISE SHIP ORDERS HAS DEMONSTRATED THE CONTINUING CONFIDENCE OF INVESTORS IN THE CRUISE HOLIDAY BUSINESS, WITH THE OVERALL RETURN TO ECONOMIC GROWTH OUTWEIGHING GEO-POLITICAL EVENTS.

As ever, the reassuring ability of ships to change itineraries and avoid the world's trouble spots is benefiting the cruise business.

After a spell of investment in the expedition sector, Silversea have finally announced an order with Italian shipbuilder Fincantieri for another all-suite luxury ship. Their classic European approach offers a stylish yet casual experience which is proving a real winner! (See pages 47-49 to sample Silversea's all-inclusive value).

The Carnival group of companies have placed the largest ever newbuilding contract, with letters of intent for at

least nine more ships to be delivered up to 2020; the business split between Fincantieri and Germany's Meyer yards. Clever planning allows Carnival to order a series of standard designs, and then tailor each to a specific brand (Carnival, Princess, Holland America, Costa, P&O or Cunard) closer to the delivery date.

This approach has certainly benefited P&O and Cunard here in the UK, with both lines introducing super new ships recently. (See pages 22-23 for our latest P&O Cruises promotion).

Mentioning Meyer yards reminds me that they too have joined the modern trend to expansion and globalisation by taking over the Finnish shipyards which build the very biggest of all cruise ships for Royal Caribbean.

When I first joined this industry the Spanish still built passenger ships, including three for the Norwegian owned, and now defunct, Crown Cruise Line. The first was Crown Monarch, a really pretty little ship of

which a builder's model still graces my study! I sailed on her inaugural voyage from Palm Beach, Florida, waving goodbye on the chic French Caribbean island of St. Barthelemy. After some changes of ownership, she has been beautifully refitted to sail as Voyager for Voyages of Discovery - as we've noted before, it's a

pleasure to still have these smaller ship experiences on offer. (See pages 12-15 for our brand new Voyages of Discovery promotion).

Our own holiday travels this year are more land-based

since the Indian Ocean voyage with Balmoral in February, but plans for 2016 are of course in hand, and could see us in South America next March...

Wherever your dreams are being fulfilled, I hope it's under blue skies!

Nigel.

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- Day 9-10** Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (overnight stay on board)
Ho Chi Minh City possesses a variety of beautiful buildings, displaying a characteristic combination of Vietnamese, Chinese and European cultures. These include Nha Rong (Dragon House Wharf), Quoc To Temple, as well as many pagodas and churches
- Day 11** Relaxing at sea
- Day 12** Singapore
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- Day 13** Arrive London

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- Mon 10 Venice, Italy**
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- Tue 11 Venice, Italy (depart late night)**
This renowned "City of Canals" was built on an archipelago of more than 100 islands formed by about 150 canals. Ancient cobblestone streets lined with tiny ceramic and glass workshops and tempting cafés wind their way between fabulous palazzos and vast town squares along the banks of the canals
- Wed 12 Koper, Slovenia**
- Thu 13 Trogir, Croatia (depart late night)**
- Fri 14 Dubrovnik, Croatia (overnight stay on board - depart early morning)**
- Sat 15 Kotor, Montenegro**
- Sun 16 Corfu, Greece (depart late night)**
Greece's largest 'living' medieval town is home to cobblestone streets and alleyways, historic buildings, statues and fountains. The stand-out is the Venetian-built Old Fortress, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Mon 17** Relaxing at sea
- Tue 18 Amalfi, Italy (depart early afternoon)**
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- Wed 19 Sorrento, Italy**
- Thu 20 Rome (from Civitavecchia), Italy**
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- Fri 21 Rome, Italy**
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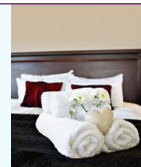
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Char Siu Bao

Barbecue pork-filled bun

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:
CHAR SIU BAO
BARBECUE PORK-FILLED BUN

MAKES - 8
SERVES - 4

INGREDIENTS FOR THE CHAR SIU

- 30g honey
- 2 tbs Shaoxing rice wine
- 100ml hoi sin sauce
- 1 tbs soy sauce
- 3 heaped tbs yellow bean sauce
- 600g pork fillet

FOR THE BUN DOUGH

- 250ml warm water
- 7g dried yeast
- 2 tbs sugar
- 1½ tsp baking powder
- Pinch of salt
- 450g plain flour

TO SERVE

- Sweet chilli sauce

METHOD

1. For the char siu, put the honey, rice wine, hoi sin, soy and yellow bean sauces in a food bag. Add the meat, rub the marinade in well, then seal the bag and refrigerate overnight.
2. The next day preheat the oven to 200°C/gas mark 6. Put about 2cm of water in the bottom of a roasting tray. Put a rack on top and sit the meat on it. Roast for 25 minutes, brushing on more marinade and turning every now and again. Allow to rest for 10 minutes and set the remaining marinade aside.
3. For the dough, mix the water, yeast, sugar, baking powder and salt, and whisk for 3-4 minutes until foaming.
4. Put the flour in a large bowl and make a well in the centre. Add the liquid to the flour, mix until it comes together then knead until it forms a smooth dough. Cover and leave to prove for 1 hour.
5. Tip the dough onto a floured surface and knead again for 5 minutes. Divide into 8 pieces then roll each piece into an 8cm disc.



6. Finely chop the char siu and mix with the remaining marinade. Place a tablespoon of the mixture in the middle of each disc then wrap the dough up around the meat and seal with a pinch.
7. Place the buns sealed-side down on a piece of parchment in a steamer. Make a cross on top with a knife, cover and steam for 10 minutes.
8. Serve immediately with sweet chilli sauce.

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