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Cruise News

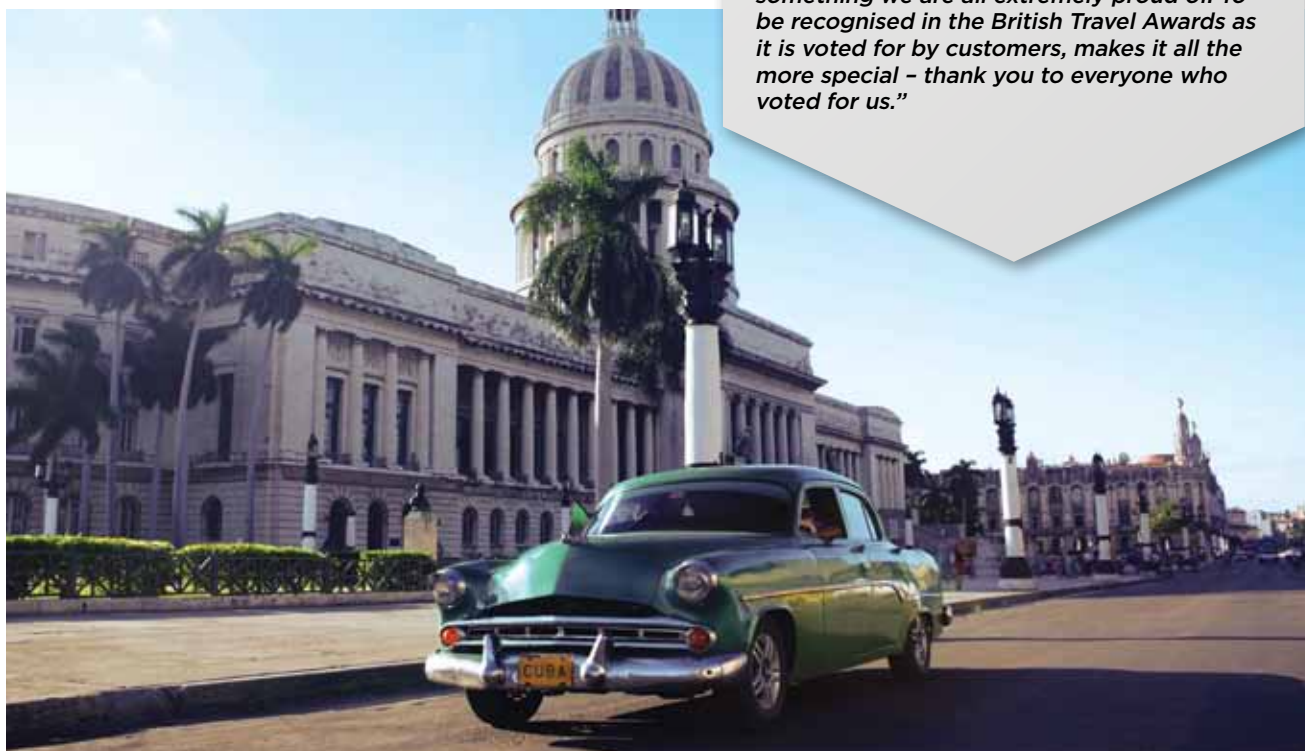
Cruise to Cuba in 2017!

Watch Cuba's revolutionary past come to life and immerse yourself in the art, history and culture that this bustling island has to offer. In recent years areas which had previously been off limits to tourists have been opening up, allowing you to enjoy the holiday of a lifetime and in 2017, you will now be able to travel to Cuba for the first time with Oceania Cruises® and Regent Seven Seas Cruises®.

Oceania Cruises® has revealed its first three inaugural voyages from Miami to Cuba – with one 14 day and two 10 day Caribbean cruises on board *Marina*. Each of these voyages will call on the storied city of Havana with two of the voyages staying overnight and offering guests two full days in this legendary destination.

Regent Seven Seas Cruises® have announced two seven night Miami roundtrip voyages on board *Seven Seas Mariner*®. Experience two days in iconic Havana and be transported back in time as you take in the colonial history, classic cars and cobblestone avenues in the Old City.

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We are pleased to announce that we were awarded 'Best Cruise Holiday Retailer' at the British Travel Awards at the end of last year.

The British Travel Awards is the largest awards programme in the UK created to reward the best companies in travel and is recognised by both consumers and travel professionals as the "Oscars" of the UK's travel industry. Over 333,200 consumers registered to place votes in this year's awards, which led to over 1.3 million votes being cast in total.

Andrew Say, Commercial Director said: "What a year! To win a Gold award at the British Travel Awards for Best Cruise Holiday Retailer is a fabulous achievement. This is the tenth accolade we have won in 2016, which is something we are all extremely proud of. To be recognised in the British Travel Awards as it is voted for by customers, makes it all the more special – thank you to everyone who voted for us."



Hello and welcome to the February edition of Blue Horizons.

With 2017 well underway, you've probably been thinking about your next cruise holiday. So why not stop thinking, and start planning? Here at ROL Cruise we want you to experience the difference with every holiday that you book with us, so as ever, this edition of Blue Horizons is absolutely packed with desirable destinations and spectacular value offers.

If you want to experience the modern luxury difference, then turn to pages 14-15 and get ready to jet, set, sail with Celebrity Cruises®.

A whole variety of destinations are on offer and combine free valet parking, a free drinks package and free on board spending money with a VIP flight experience from the Private Air Terminal near London Stansted to make your holiday truly memorable.

If unforgettable experiences appeal to your nature, then why not see the delights on offer on pages 12-13. Embark on the Ultimate Borneo, Vietnam & Thailand Discovery with Azamara Club Cruises® and enjoy fantastic savings of up to £1,400, a two night pre-cruise 5★ hotel stay in Singapore and a free Garden by the Bay tour – plus drinks and gratuities are included!

The 2018 no-fly offer from Cunard on pages 20-21 is one not to miss! The experts at ROL Cruise have tailormade this fantastic itinerary and included a five night Cox & Kings Heritage of America tour, on board spending money and savings of up to £7,000. You will also have the chance to see the Independence Day celebrations in the capital of the USA, Washington D.C.

At ROL Cruise we are always seeking the newest and most unique cruises for you to experience, which is why we are delighted to present to you, Variety Cruises – the Yacht Cruise Experience. Variety Cruises offer the opportunity to explore the identity of a destination, while enjoying the comforts of a small ship. Sail to Spain and Portugal and take advantage of savings, free drinks and free on board spending money! Turn to pages 44-46.

River cruising is a diverse means of travel, taking in many different rivers from many corners of the globe. On pages 24-25 you can cruise the waters of Europe whilst taking advantage of fantastic savings and the relaxing on board lifestyle of Emerald Waterways. Alternatively, on pages 28-29 you can soak up the exotic by cruising the Mekong River with Pandaw – enjoy included sightseeing excursions, luxury hotel stays, savings and complimentary drinks on board. Plus, Pandaw offer the exclusive opportunity of witnessing the rare Mekong Dolphins.

The itinerary on pages 42-43 also takes in the exotic with an all-inclusive voyage to the Far East and Canada in 6★ luxury with Seabourn. 5★ luxury hotel stays, incredible savings of up to £8,000 and complimentary on board spending money of \$1,000 will make your experience one-of-a-kind. Another unique adventure is on pages 38-39 where you can embark on the Ultimate South African Adventure with ultra-luxury Silversea. Featuring a two night 5★ stay in Cape Town, free private UK chauffeur service, spectacular savings and a free suite upgrade – you will want for nothing more on this voyage of a lifetime.

Happy cruising!

Jeremy Dickinson
CEO, ROL Cruise

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JUNE 2017

- Thu 1** Fly from London to Boston, Massachusetts (regional and premium class flights are available on request*). Upon arrival, transfer to a 4★ luxury hotel† for your two night stay
- Fri 2** Boston, Massachusetts
Explore at your leisure
- Sat 3** Boston, Massachusetts
Transfer to the port and embark *ms Maasdam* for your seven night Canadian adventure
- Sun 4** Bar Harbor, Maine
- Mon 5** Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
- Tue 6** Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada
- Wed 7** Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island
- Thu 8** Cruising the Gulf of St. Lawrence
- Fri 9** Québec City, Québec, Canada
- Fri 9** Cruising the Gulf of St. Lawrence
- Sat 10** Montréal, Québec, Canada
Disembark and transfer to a luxury hotel† for your three night stay
- Sun 11** ★ CANADIAN GRAND PRIX★ 
- With your **EXCLUSIVE** Grandstand tickets, you can soak up all the action that today's Grand Prix event has to offer. As the drivers speed through the streets, the electric atmosphere will be hard to miss and you can be a part of it. Not only this, but with roundtrip transfers*** from the hotel included for all bookings, you're sure to have a thrilling and seamless experience
- Mon 12** Montréal, Québec, Canada
Explore at your leisure
- Tue 13** Montréal, Québec, Canada
Transfer to the airport for your overnight flight to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)
- Wed 14** Arrive London



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Interior	L	£4,099	£3,499
Ocean View	FF	£4,269	£3,799
Ocean View	CA	£5,199	£4,699
FREE upgrade to a Vista Suite (BB)^			
Vista Suite	B	£5,249	£4,849
Neptune Suite	SB	£6,399	£5,799
Neptune Suite	SA	£6,599	£5,999
Pinnacle Suite	PS	£9,199	£8,299

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*Canadian Grand Prix dates are provisional and yet to be confirmed. Tickets and transfers are subject to availability and may not be suitable for guests with mobility restrictions. Transfers to and from the circuit are included and will be at a set time for the collection from the hotel and departure from the venue. Please be advised you will be required to walk from the drop off point to your seat in the grandstand. Admission Tickets are based on Grandstand 15 and may have an obstructed view by the catch fence. Holland America Line and Reader Offers Limited Package Holiday booking conditions apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.

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YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£1,849	£879
Voyager Outside	OG ^c	£2,549	£1,229
Superior Ocean View	9	£3,099	£1,549
Premium Ocean View	12	£3,619	£1,799
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Suites and above[#]			
De Luxe Suite	DS	£6,459	£3,229
Royal Suite	RS	£7,109	£3,559

PORTUGAL, GIBRALTAR & SEVILLE FIESTA

12 NIGHTS DEPARTING 14TH APRIL 2018

Embark *Marco Polo* and depart Bristol Avonmouth - Lisbon, Portugal - Portimão, Portugal - Gibraltar - Cádiz, Spain (overnight stay on board) - Leixões, Portugal - La Coruña, Spain - Arrive Bristol Avonmouth

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£1,769	£859
Premium Inside	4	£2,549	£1,259
FREE upgrade to a Standard Ocean View Cabin (6)[^]			
Superior Ocean View	9	£3,029	£1,519
Premium Ocean View	12	£3,529	£1,769
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Suites[#]			
De Luxe Suite	DS	£5,669	£2,839

MAJESTIC FJORDLAND

7 NIGHTS DEPARTING 19TH APRIL 2018

Embark *Magellan* and depart London Tilbury - Amsterdam, Netherlands - Eidfjord, Norway - **Cruising Sognefjord** - Flåm, Norway - **Cruising Nærøfjord** - Bergen, Norway - Arrive London Tilbury

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£1,069	£499
Voyager Outside	OG ^c	£1,469	£699
Superior Ocean View	9	£1,809	£899
Premium Ocean View	12	£2,109	£1,059
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Suites and above[#]			
De Luxe Suite	DS	£3,769	£1,889
Royal Suite	RS	£4,149	£2,079

TREASURES OF THE BRITISH ISLES

11 NIGHTS DEPARTING 3RD MAY 2017

Embark *Marco Polo* and depart Bristol Avonmouth - St. Mary's, Isles of Scilly - Honfleur, France - Rosyth (for Edinburgh), Scotland - Invergordon, Scotland - Kirkwall, Orkney Islands - Stornoway, Outer Hebrides - Tobermory, Isle of Mull - Belfast, Northern Ireland - Dublin, Ireland - Arrive Bristol Avonmouth

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£1,599	£939
Premium Inside	4	£2,269	£1,369
FREE upgrade to a Standard Ocean View Cabin (6)[^]			
Superior Ocean View	9	£2,749	£1,639
Premium Ocean View	12	£3,179	£1,899
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Suites[#]			
De Luxe Suite	DS	£5,099	£3,059

Please note, gratuities of £5pp per night (£4pp per night for 29th October 2017 departure) will be added to your on board account. Booking conditions of South Quay Travel & Leisure Ltd

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Magellan

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12 NIGHTS DEPARTING 15TH JUNE 2017

Embark *Magellan* and depart Liverpool - Lerwick, Shetland Islands - Kollafjørður, Faroe Islands - Seyðisfjörður, Iceland - Akureyri, Iceland - Ísafjörður, Iceland - Reykjavík, Iceland (overnight stay on board) - Dublin, Ireland - Arrive Liverpool

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP)*	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£1,769	£1,129
Voyager Outside	OG ^c	£2,449	£1,569
Superior Ocean View	9	£3,029	£1,969
Premium Ocean View	12	£3,529	£2,299
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Suites and above*			
De Luxe Suite	DS	£6,299	£4,099
Royal Suite	RS	£6,929	£4,499

CANARY ISLANDS & MADEIRA

15 NIGHTS DEPARTING 14TH OCTOBER 2017

Embark *Columbus* and depart London Tilbury - Amsterdam, Netherlands - Gibraltar - Las Palmas, Gran Canaria (arrive midday, depart late night) - Arrecife, Lanzarote - Santa Cruz, Tenerife (depart early pm) - Funchal, Madeira - Lisbon, Portugal - Arrive London Tilbury

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP)*	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£1,839	£1,079
Voyager Outside	OG ^c	£2,329	£1,369
Superior Ocean View	9	£3,159	£1,899
Premium Ocean View	12	£3,679	£2,199
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Balconies and above*			
De Luxe Balcony	DL	£5,259	£3,159
Junior Balcony Suite	JS	£5,909	£3,549

CUBA, CENTRAL AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

46 NIGHTS DEPARTING 29TH OCTOBER 2017

Embark *Columbus* and depart London Tilbury - Amsterdam, Netherlands - Ponta Delgada, Azores - Philipsburg, St. Maarten - Road Town, Tortola - La Romana, Dominican Republic - Ocho Rios, Jamaica - Havana Cuba (arrive midday - overnight stay on board) - Progreso, Mexico - Cozumel, Mexico - Belize City, Belize - Roatan Island, Honduras - Puerto Limon, Costa Rica - Cristobal (for Panama City), Panama - Cartagena, Columbia - Oranjestad, Aruba (depart late night) - Willemstad, Curaçao - Bridgetown, Barbados - Horta, Azores - Lisbon, Portugal - Arrive London Tilbury

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP)*	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£5,609	£3,279
Voyager Outside	OG ^c	£7,149	£4,189
Superior Ocean View	9	£9,669	£5,799
Premium Ocean View	12	£11,279	£6,769
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Balconies and above*			
De Luxe Balcony	DL	£16,109	£9,669
Junior Balcony Suite	JS	£18,129	£10,879

AMSTERDAM & GERMAN CHRISTMAS MARKETS

4 NIGHTS DEPARTING 14TH DECEMBER 2017

Embark *Columbus* and depart London Tilbury - Amsterdam, Netherlands - Hamburg, Germany - Arrive London Tilbury

Hamburg, Germany

During your visit why not take the opportunity to experience the winter magic of one of Hamburg's wonderful Christmas Markets. The scent of roasted almonds and fir sprigs fills the air and large Christmas trees mark the location.

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE PRICES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL PRICE (PP)*	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Voyager Inside	IG ^c	£479	£229
Voyager Outside	OG ^c	£609	£299
Superior Ocean View	9	£819	£399
Premium Ocean View	12	£949	£479
FREE Car Parking for De Luxe Balconies and above*			
De Luxe Balcony	DL	£1,359	£679
Junior Balcony Suite	JS	£1,529	£769

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62 NIGHTS DEPARTING 19TH JANUARY 2019

JANUARY 2019

- Sat 19** Embark *Balmoral* and depart Southampton
Wed 23 - Thu 24 Funchal, Madeira (arrive early pm - overnight stay on board)
Thu 31 Bridgetown, Barbados (arrive early pm)
With its balmy climate, glorious azure waters and incredible beaches, this tropical city epitomises paradise. The capital and largest city of Barbados – Bridgetown, is always busy, with an inviting atmosphere and plenty to see and do

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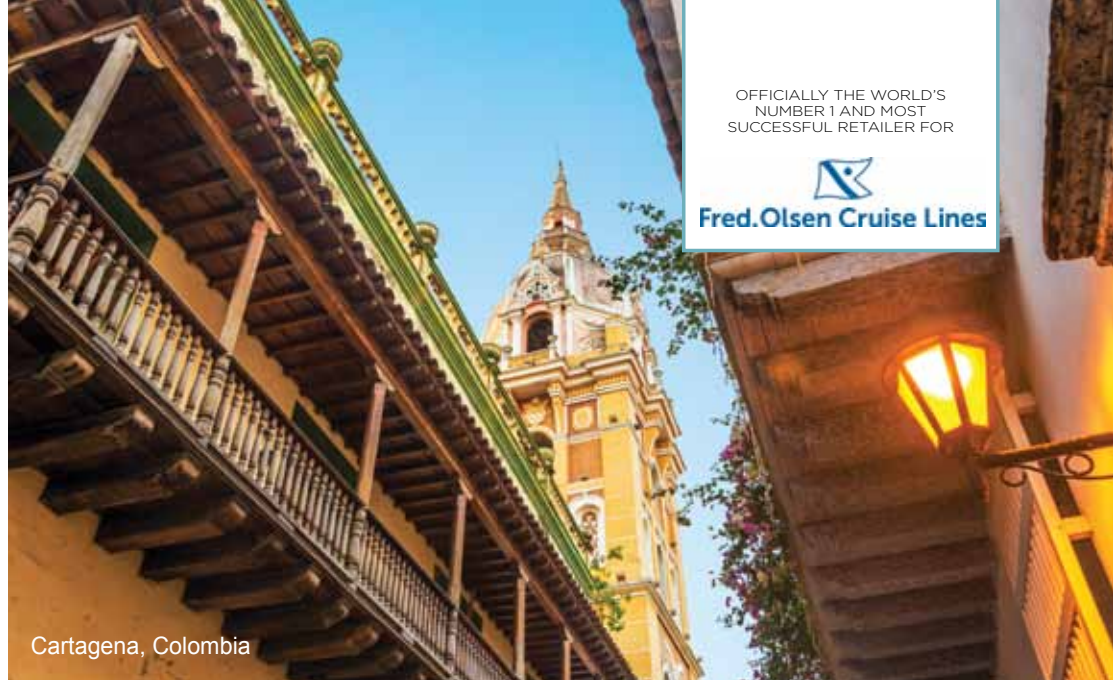
- Sat 2** Kralendijk, Bonaire
Mon 4 Cartagena, Colombia
Tue 5 Colón, Panama (arrive early pm)
Wed 6 *Transit the Panama Canal*
Sat 9 Acajutla, El Salvador
Wed 13 Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico
Thu 14 Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico
Fri 15 Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

- Tue 19 - Thu 21** San Francisco, USA (two night stay on board)
Sat 23 - Sun 24 Los Angeles, USA (depart late night)
San Diego, USA

MARCH 2019

- Fri 1** Acapulco, Mexico
Mon 4 Puntarenas, Costa Rica (arrive early pm)
Wed 6 *Transit the Panama Canal*
Fri 8 Oranjestad, Aruba (arrive early pm)
With vividly coloured colonial buildings that mirror those in Amsterdam, Oranjestad's Dutch heritage is clear for all to see. The capital of Aruba, this city is one of the Caribbean's true gems, combining European style architecture with all the delights you expect to find on a Caribbean island
Sun 10 Philipsburg, St. Maarten
Sun 17 Ponta Delgada, Azores
Wed 20 La Coruña, Spain (depart early pm)
Fri 22 Arrive Southampton

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea



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OR

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OR

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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 spacious gyms, heated swimming pools and jacuzzis

Every night a different show – from comedians and musicians, to the ship's own show company

Captain's drinks party and Gala Buffet

PLUS, when you book with ROL Cruise, enjoy the following exclusive benefits:

- **FREE BONUS** on board spend of up to **£600** for Ocean View Rooms and above*

- **FREE** Afternoon tea for two at the Ritz*

The currency on board is pound sterling, so you won't be affected by any foreign exchange rate fluctuations

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

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Balmoral

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

CABO SAN LUCAS, MEXICO

Nestled at the tip of the Baja Peninsula, Cabo San Lucas has a curious charm. Visit Land's End where you can go snorkelling, jet-skiing, kite surfing and more!

SAN FRANCISCO, USA

A city of free thinkers and crafty inventors. Spend your time sunning by the bay or digesting one of the many lavish seafood dinners, whilst taking in the unique atmosphere that this crazy city has to offer. San Francisco's attractions include touring the Napa Valley wine country; ambling along Pier 39; taking cable car and trolley rides; or heading to the famous Alcatraz

LOS ANGELES, USA

The city offers the great American Dream – well at least the chance to see Hollywood and Beverley Hills, or the historic Queen Mary at Long Beach. A culturally vibrant city that boasts a range of interesting attractions from prestigious art museums and galleries to fabulous theatre, both well-known productions and smaller fringe shows. No trip to LA would be complete without a stop at the Venice Beach Boardwalk or a visit to Mann's Chinese Theatre and the Walk of Fame

YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Interior	I	£5,999
Ocean View	F	£7,199
Superior Ocean View	C	£8,549
Balcony	BC	£11,999
Balcony Junior Suite	BJ	£12,799
Premier Suite	PS	£19,599

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—Should you wish to invoke the Enjoyment Promise, you will need to inform Guest Relations within 48 hours of sailing at the latest. FOCL will arrange and pay for a flight and/or transfer back to the UK. FOCL will refund the cruise cost only but will not refund other costs. Further terms and conditions apply. Customers have the choice of one of the following: free Drinks Package or door-to-door transfers or free on board spend of up to £700. ##Door-to-door transfers are available up to 250 miles each way for mainland UK addresses only. Booking conditions of Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines and Reader Offers Ltd Agency terms of business apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.



INTERVIEW

with

the Captain

Jennie Bond Cruise Miles Ambassador interviews Captain Carl Smith

"It is," says Captain Carl Smith, "rather like having full-time care of a baby."

The Master of Azamara Quest® is telling me what it's like to be Captain of a luxury ocean liner.

"I sleep lightly when I'm on board. Any tiny noise or unusual vibration will get me out of bed in a flash. It's a big responsibility being in charge of a vessel like this and, more importantly, of our 600 or so guests. I'm constantly on the alert, as you are when you have a new-born to care for."

Now 43, Carl has been at sea since he was 16. His father was a farm labourer on the Isle of Man and his mother delivered the milk – often with Carl's help.

At school, he excelled in maths, physics and chemistry – but other subjects bored him. So, when Shell began recruiting on the island, he liked the look of the cadet training programme they offered, and went along for an interview.

A month later, after an intensive course learning the fundamentals of every aspect of seamanship, he found himself flying to Venezuela to join an oil tanker.

"I was the youngest on board," he recalls. "But I grew up pretty quickly! Basically, I had a mis-spent youth in Caribbean bars. Whenever I came home on leave, I found I had nothing in common with lads of my age. I really did go to sea as a boy, and come back a man."

In all, he spent seven years with Shell and, at 23, he joined the Isle of Man Steam Packet as Chief Officer.

If you're lucky enough to be on board Azamara Quest® with Carl in charge, you'll soon gather that he's extremely knowledgeable about all things marine – and that he's always keen to share that knowledge. His daily reports from the Bridge will give you far more than the basic information about the ship's location and progress. He'll tell you about the engines, the stabilisers, the length of the anchor chain and, intriguingly, he will teach you that noon is very rarely actually at midday.

And that leads him to explain some of the calculations he still loves to make on his sextant.

"These days," he says, "hardly any sailors know how to use a sextant...and it's such a great piece of kit. I encourage all young officers to learn how to read one because it's a valuable skill that's dying out in this

digital age."

Carl perfected his sextant skills while he was working on Fyffye's banana boats when he was 24.

"The long hours on watch were so boring, I used that time to read the stars and use the equipment. And I still love to do it. I like to know that, if all the modern gizmos broke down, I could still navigate pretty well with a sextant and the stars."

At 25, he qualified as Captain – one of only two of that age in the country. He was immediately offered five jobs, but turned them all down because, although he was technically qualified, he knew he needed more experience before taking charge.

So he joined his first passenger ship, a German liner, Albatros, as sixth in command.

He was finally persuaded to accept command of his own ship a few years later, when he ran into the senior Vice President of Celebrity Cruises.

"I met him in a sewerage tank," he says. "I didn't know exactly who he was... just that he was looking over the ship with a view to buying it and wanted to see every nook and cranny. So I told him all about the sewerage system... and he was apparently

“ It’s a big responsibility being in charge of a vessel like this and, more importantly, of our 600 or so guests. ”

so impressed that I knew the ship so well, he told his people to offer me a job!”
Mind you, Carl still insisted on waiting until the rota was the one he’d promised his beautiful young wife, Petra.

“She was pregnant with our first child, and I’d told her I’d be working three months on, three off. I wasn’t going to break my word.”

Carl had fallen for Petra on first sight. They met on board a ship, where she was a waitress.

“ hardly any sailors know how to use a sextant...and it’s such a great piece of kit. ”

He asked for her number, but she replied: “I don’t date sailors”. He loved her all the more for that... and pursued her relentlessly for six weeks.

In the end, she gave in and they were married twice: once secretly and hurriedly on the Isle of Man because of Carl’s work commitments and, a year later, in a swish ceremony in a palace in the Czech Republic.

Petra is a Czech beauty, and they have now made the Republic their home.

“We bought an old farmhouse in the back of beyond, with 35 acres of forest and lakes. That’s where we’re bringing up our three sons, Joseph, Richard and Peter. They’re totally bi-lingual... and we have a great life there... 300 miles from the sea! It’s perfect!” he chuckles.

A Celt himself, Carl has discovered that some of the original Celtic tribes hailed from the very area he now calls home.

“I feel it was fate that brought me there. It’s where I belong.” he says.

Captain Carl – as he’s known on board – is an immensely likeable chap and clearly thrives on the adrenaline of meeting every challenge that life at sea presents. He’s guided his ship away from Nagasaki when the tsunami hit Japan: “That was a worrying one... I didn’t sleep for four nights!”

He’s helped rescue an entire crew from a burning timber carrier in the middle of the ocean, and he’s recently had to make a tricky call about whether to pick up 15 Cuban refugees from a tiny boat, drifting

without food or water. He decided to take them on board, give them sustenance and then hand them over to the American coastguard.

“The best thing about working for Azamara,” he says, “is the leeway the president gives us to do whatever is needed to keep our guests happy. If I have to use hundreds of tonnes more fuel to take the ship round a storm and keep our guests comfortable, then that’s what we do.

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Wed 28 Bandar Seri Begawan, Malaysia (depart late night)

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Sat 31 Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (overnight stay on board)
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APRIL 2018

Sun 1 Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (depart early pm)

Tue 3 - Bangkok (from Klong Toey), Thailand (two night stay on board)
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Sun 8 Singapore
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Mon 9 Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea



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Concierge Class	£2,929	£2,729
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Interior	-	£2,069
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STATEROOM	FULL FARE FROM (PP)*	ROL CRUISE FARE FROM (PP)
Interior	-	£2,099
<i>Book an Ocean View Stateroom or above and enjoy a FREE Drinks Package**</i>		
Ocean View	£2,339	£2,239
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Concierge Class	£2,749	£2,549
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STATEROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
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Book and receive a FREE all-inclusive Drinks Package⁺⁺

Inside	IF	£939
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Book an Oceanview Stateroom or above and choose ONE additional added benefit

Oceanview	OK ⁺	£1,239
Balcony	BD	£1,359
Mini Suite	MB	£1,539

Book a Suite or above and receive ALL added benefits

Suite	SF	£2,699
Haven Suite	H5	£3,229

BRITISH ISLES DISCOVERY 11 NIGHTS DEPARTING 22ND MAY 2017

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YOUR FANTASTIC ROL CRUISE FARES

STATEROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
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Book and receive a FREE all-inclusive Drinks Package⁺⁺

Inside	IB	£1,139
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Book an Oceanview Stateroom or above and choose ONE additional added benefit

Oceanview	OK ⁺	£1,349
Balcony	BD	£1,949
Mini Suite	MB	£2,179

Book a Suite or above and receive ALL added benefits

Suite	SF	£4,059
Haven Suite	H5	SOLD OUT

GRAND NORWEGIAN FJORDS 10 NIGHTS DEPARTING 9TH AUGUST 2017

Embark *Norwegian Jade* and depart Southampton - Stavanger, Norway (depart early afternoon) - Hellesylt, Norway (depart mid-morning) - Geiranger, Norway (arrive mid-morning - depart late afternoon) - Flåm, Norway - Ålesund, Norway - Haugesund, Norway - Oslo, Norway (overnight stay on board) - Arrive Southampton

YOUR FANTASTIC ROL CRUISE FARES

STATEROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
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Book and receive a FREE all-inclusive Drinks Package⁺⁺

Inside	IF	£1,289
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Book an Oceanview Stateroom or above and choose ONE additional added benefit

Oceanview	OK ⁺	£1,399
Balcony	BD	£1,789
Mini Suite	MB	£1,929

Book a Suite or above and receive ALL added benefits

Suite	SF	£3,289
Haven Suite	H4	£4,489

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STATEROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
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Inside	IF	£1,689
Balcony	BD	£2,399
Mini Suite	MB	£2,629

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Suite	SF	£3,799
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ACROSS

- 1** One getting hit in large town disaster (8)
- 5** Graduate left in charge at this London exchange (6)
- 9** Some gritty role, another from Austrian province (8)
- 10** From Rose's place, left before morning because of the pandemonium (6)
- 12** Openly franchise another Overseas Territory in South Pacific (6,9)
- 13** Detached area's festival once a year (6,6)
- 16** Beneficial tennis point, love, no good (12)
- 21** Deserter Melinda could be one coming from an Arabic-speaking country (6-9)
- 22** Call by a different title, meaner sort (6)
- 23** Breed of cattle animated in hostel! (8)
- 24** Avoid attention in bottom bunk? (3,3)
- 25** Revealing story of Swiss archer? (8)

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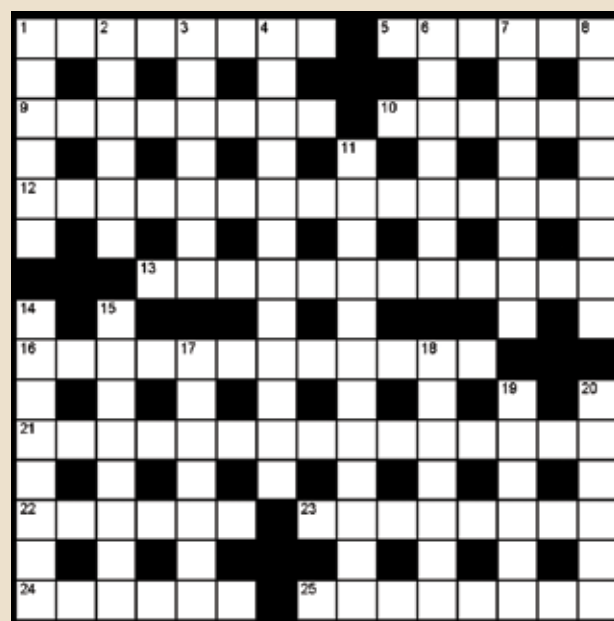
- 1** Copper to play very loudly and end abruptly (3,3)
- 2** Fat about to be brought up to storeroom (6)
- 3** Stick in Malaysia (7)
- 4** Vagrant putting cooking apparatus on cargo-boat (5,7)
- 6** State, before sunrise, the abyss (7)
- 7** Scottish trinket (8)
- 8** Govern taking nothing from one of the shock troops (8)
- 11** Flattering talk, way one uses it having kissed it (7,5)
- 14** Aromatic substance said to have come from the castle (8)
- 15** In which it is plainly visible (8)
- 17** Lily or Len becoming boss (7)
- 18** Tool in US inlet swirling (7)
- 19** Lady entering strange land (6)
- 20** Country Anatole came from (6)

THE SOLUTION TO THE JANUARY CROSSWORD CAN BE FOUND ABOVE.

Crossword Solution

JANUARY

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- Day 4** Castries, St. Lucia
- Day 5** Scarborough, Tobago (depart early pm)
- Day 6 - Day 7** Relaxing at sea
- Day 8** *Cruising the Amazon River*
- Day 9** Santarém, Brazil
- Day 10** *Cruising the Amazon River*
- Day 11** *Cruise by Devil's Island*
- Day 12** Relaxing at sea
- Day 13** Port of Spain, Trinidad
- Day 14** St. George's, Grenada

- Day 15** Bridgetown, Barbados
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your overnight flight to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request²)
- Day 16** Arrive London

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CABIN	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Inside	PC	£1,949
Outside	NB ⁺	£2,159
Balcony	IE	£2,699
Balcony	GA	£3,099
Suite	B5	£4,899
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APRIL 2018

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Fri 6	Praia da Vitória, Azores
Sat 7	Horta, Azores
Sun 8	Relaxing at sea
Mon 9	Funchal, Madeira
Tue 10	Relaxing at sea
Wed 11	Puerto del Rosario, Fuerteventura
Thu 12	Las Palmas, Gran Canaria
Fri 13	San Sebastián, La Gomera
Sat 14	Santa Cruz, Tenerife
Sun 15	Santa Cruz, La Palma
Mon 16	Relaxing at sea
Tue 17	Lisbon, Portugal
Wed 18 - Thu 19	Relaxing at sea
Fri 20	Arrive Southampton

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Inside	PF	£1,399
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Balcony	EE	£2,799
Balcony	EA	£3,269
Mini Suite	CB	£4,099
Suite	B1	£4,819

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17 NIGHTS DEPARTING
3RD OCTOBER 2018

OCTOBER 2018

Wed 3	Embark <i>Arcadia</i> and depart Southampton
Thu 4 - Fri 5	Relaxing at sea
Sat 6	Seville (from Cádiz), Spain
Sun 7	Relaxing at sea
Mon 8	Cagliari, Sardinia
Tue 9	Naples, Italy
Wed 10	Messina, Sicily
Thu 11	Relaxing at sea
Fri 12	Elba, Italy
Sat 13	La Spezia, Italy
Sun 14	Toulon, France
Mon 15	Barcelona, Spain
Tue 16	Relaxing at sea
Wed 17	Ceuta, Spain
Thu 18 - Fri 19	Relaxing at sea
Sat 20	Arrive Southampton

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JUNE 2018

Sun 24 Embark *Queen Mary 2* and depart Southampton

Mon 25 - Relaxing at sea
Sat 30

JULY 2018

Sun 1 New York, USA – Philadelphia, USA

Upon arrival in New York, you will journey by road to Philadelphia. Upon arrival in Philadelphia, you will enjoy a half day tour taking in the Independence Hall in the most historic square mile in the US and see the Liberty Bell, a symbol of freedom that predates the nation's birth. Walk down Elfreth's Alley, America's oldest continuously inhabited street and visit some of Philadelphia's neighbourhoods and historic sites. A stop will be made in front of the Philadelphia Museum of Art whose steps were made famous in the movie Rocky. Overnight hotel stay at the Sonesta Philadelphia Downtown Rittenhouse Square[‡] in Philadelphia

Mon 2 Philadelphia, USA – Lancaster, USA

This morning take a self-guided tour of the US Mint, one of only two such coin-making facilities in the country. Learn about the craftsmanship required at all stages of the minting process, from the original designs and sculptures to the actual striking of the coins. Later, you will travel through rolling hills with lush grasses, crops and windmills dotted on the horizon to Lancaster. En route you will stop at an Amish Farmhouse for a tour and traditional lunch to see how they still live a centuries-old lifestyle. Overnight hotel stay at the Amish View Inn[‡] in Lancaster (B, L)

Tue 3 Lancaster, USA – Washington D.C., USA

Transfer by road to Washington D.C. Upon arrival, you will enjoy a half day tour including highlights such as the Capitol building, White House and Supreme Court. After this there will be free time for guests to visit their choice of museums at the Smithsonian Institution. These include the National Portrait Gallery and the National Air & Space Museum, which is home to hundreds of the world's most significant objects in aviation and space history. Later, enjoy a tour of the Washington, Lincoln and Jefferson memorials. Two night stay at the The Fairmont Washington Hotel[‡] (B)

Wed 4 Washington D.C., USA ★INDEPENDENCE DAY★

Today, enjoy a half day tour to Arlington National Cemetery before spending the afternoon at your leisure. Later you will be able to soak up the atmosphere of the Independence Day celebrations. In the capital, this event is celebrated all day beginning with a parade along Constitution Avenue and ending with a spectacular firework display over the Washington monument (B)

Thu 5 Washington D.C., USA – New York, USA

Transfer by road to New York. En route, you will stop at Baltimore's Inner Harbor which is home to fascinating museums, shops and boutiques as well as the Civil War-era warship USS Constellation. Continuing outside of Baltimore, there will be the opportunity to visit Clarksville Premium Outlet Stores for some last minute gifts before returning to New York. Overnight stay at the Millennium Broadway Hotel[‡] (B)

Fri 6 New York, USA

Transfer to the port and embark *Queen Mary 2* for your return journey

Sat 7 - Relaxing at sea
Thu 12

Fri 13 Arrive Southampton

Meals on tour are as stated: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch



Queen Mary 2

★ INDEPENDENCE DAY ★

In 1775, the people of New England began fighting the British for their independence and on 2nd July 1776, the Congress secretly voted for independence from Great Britain. The Declaration of Independence was first published two days later on 4th July, 1776, but wasn't actually signed until a month later.

The first depiction of how Independence Day would be celebrated was in a letter from John Adams to his wife Abigail on 3rd July 1776. He described "pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations" throughout the United States. However, the term "Independence Day" was not used until 1791.

Commonly known as the Fourth of July, today Independence Day is a federal holiday in the United States where celebrations include fireworks, parades, barbecues, carnivals, sports games and much more.

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Balcony	BV	£6,299	£5,699
FREE upgrade to a Balcony Stateroom (BU)[†]			
Balcony	BB	£7,499	£6,499
FREE upgrade to a Club Balcony Stateroom (A2)[†]			
PRINCESS GRILL			
Princess Suite	P1	£10,899	£9,999
QUEENS GRILL			
Queens Suite	Q5	£13,799	£12,599
Royal Suite	Q3	£19,499	£17,699
Grand Duplexes	Q1	£35,999	£32,499

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Please note, fireworks viewings are not guaranteed. Please note, Royal Suite (Q3) does not have a balcony. [‡]Hotel stays during the five night Cox & Kings tour are based on 4★ hotel stays, excluding your hotel stay in Lancaster which is based on a 3★ property. Cunard, Cox & Kings and Reader Offers Limited Package Holiday booking conditions apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.

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CRUISE EXPERT

WHY VARIETY REALLY IS *the spice of life*

*I*t's breakfast time on the *Variety Voyager* and Ranan, our cruise coordinator, has just announced the swimming pool is open. Unusual? Not on this ship where the 'pool' is a small bay in the Greek Isles and it is open because the captain has finished anchoring so we are free to jump in go for a dip.

For those who have never heard of *Voyager*, or indeed **VARIETY CRUISES**, allow me to introduce you to a Greek company that specialises in small ships that are ideal for those who like a casual holiday at sea and are curious to see what exists beyond the well-trod ports in the Mediterranean and Caribbean.

With room for just 72 passengers, *Voyager* is the company's largest ship and a giant compared to the rest of Variety's ships. I have cruised on two others – *Pegasus*, which is based year-round in the Seychelles and has capacity for 42 passengers, and *Galileo*, which sails around the Greek Islands, and holds 50.

There are plenty of others, as well as a diverse choice of destinations, from Cuba to Croatia. New this summer, **VARIETY** has one week voyages in Iceland on the 34 passenger *Callisto*, and in Spain and Portugal on *Panorama II*, a 50 passenger motor yacht that will be cruising between Málaga and Lisbon, and calling at Motril, Gibraltar and Cádiz for excursions to Grenada, Seville and the sherry capital of Jerez.





Epidaurus Theatre

where we were encouraged to have dinner ashore so we didn't miss trying the local food.

There is usually just one excursion at each port, and they do cost extra but prices are reasonable (around £35-£40 per person for three to four hours). Most people took the tours, especially to the ancient cities, and we had some excellent guides, but of course you can do your own thing if you prefer.

My latest **VARIETY** cruise was last October on *Galileo*, a masted yacht with eccentric cabins and canvas sails (the crew did hoist them a couple of times in the week, it was just for show as we motored at all times).

In summer she island-hops around the Cyclades, but in March, April, October and November she reverts to the cruise I went on – a one week voyage around the Peloponnese. This is a peninsula cut off from mainland Greece by the Corinth Canal, a man-made channel that opened in 1893 but was actually first mooted by Roman Emperor Nero back in 67AD. I suspect it was one of his better ideas (because without it you could not circumnavigate the peninsula!) but the idea died with him.

The canal is just four miles long and so narrow that only a handful of cruise ships can actually squeeze through – Swan Hellenic's *Minerva* is one; she will be going through on a 15 day cruise from Piraeus to Civitavecchia in March 2018 you can book with ROL Cruise – but the 25 minute transit through the cut was one of the highlights of the trip for me.

That's saying a lot as this was a brilliant itinerary. We had an evening in Monemvasia, a medieval town with narrow cobbled streets known as the Gibraltar of Greece because it is hidden behind a huge rock, saw a beautiful replica of the golden death mask of Agamemnon in the museum at a Mycenaean citadel outside Nafplio and toured the ruins of Olympia, where the ancient Olympic Games were held in honour of Zeus every four years.

There were also excursions to Epidaurus, to see a theatre built in the 4th century BC that which was spectacular for both its size (it could seat

14,000 people) and terrific acoustics, and Delphi, which ancient Greeks used to visit back in the day to seek advice from the pythia, or priestess – a woman chosen for that role because she was believed to be close to the gods.

Did she really exist? Historians reckon so. They also reckon that when she went into wild ecstasies while giving advice she was actually getting high on gases leaking into her sanctuary from a fissure on the earth's crust.

Want to know more? The great news is you can now book Variety through ROL Cruise. Click to pages 44-46 of this month's magazine to discover more.



Seychelles

VARIETY'S ships are not luxurious when it comes to fixtures and fittings, and there are no theatres or glam entertainment; instead they are all about amazing experiences.

On my Seychelles cruise, I got close to giant tortoises in Curieuse and went bird-spotting in Cousin, where we saw beautiful white tailed tropic birds, a rare Seychelles magpie robin and white fairy terns. In Aride, we chanced upon a turtle burying her eggs in the sand and then followed her as she lumbered down the beach and back into the sea. It was pure magic!

My *Voyager* cruise, from Istanbul to Piraeus, is not available at the moment due to the problems in Turkey but was equally amazing. We visited the remains of Troy, the ancient citadel of Pergamon, which sits high on a hill (there is a cable car to the top), and the ruins of the neighbouring Asclepion, or healing centre. In Greece, we called at Santorini, had a morning in Delos, the mythical birthplace of the twins Apollo and Artemis, and stayed overnight in Samos,



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7 NIGHTS DEPARTING 15TH APRIL, 3RD MAY, 19TH AUGUST, 29TH SEPTEMBER & 14TH OCTOBER 2017

OTHER DATES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Day 1 Fly from London to Basel, Switzerland
(regional flights are available on request[±]).
Upon arrival, transfer to your award-winning
Star-Ship for your seven night river cruise (D)

Day 2 Breisach, Germany
The beautiful Black Forest region of Germany
has long been a fairy tale destination.
Commence your magical morning with
the Vogtsbauernhof Museum, an open-air
exhibition of 16th century life, featuring a
number of reconstructed Black Forest farms
(B, L, D)

**EmeraldPLUS: A typical Gasthof owned
by a local family with a presentation and
tasting of Black Forest gâteau**

Day 3 Strasbourg, France
This morning, take a guided walking tour of
Strasbourg, capital of the Alsace region. Visit
Le Petit France, home to some of the city's
prettiest streets, replete with half-timbered
townhouses and narrow cobbled streets.
Spend the afternoon at leisure (B, L, D)

Day 4 Mannheim, Germany
Continue upstream to the town of Mannheim,
located at the confluence of the Rhine and
Neckar rivers. Take an excursion to the
medieval town of Heidelberg including a visit to
the impressive castle which overlooks the town.
Enjoy free time before returning to the ship for
lunch and an afternoon sailing (B, L, D)

Day 5 Koblenz, Germany
Sail through the spectacular Rhine Gorge,
passing countless castles and vineyards
as well as the infamous Lorelei statue
and Pfalzgrafenstein Castle. Visit the
Ehrenbreitstein Fortress on the opposite side of
the river, part of the Prussian defences against
the French in the 19th century. Enjoy free time
to wander through the town (B, L, D)

**EmeraldACTIVE: Cycle along the river
banks**

Day 6 Cologne, Germany
Founded by the Romans, Cologne is one of
Germany's oldest cities and is famous for
its magnificent World-Heritage listed Gothic
Cathedral. Join your guide for a tour of the Old
Town. Return to your ship for lunch and cruise
the Rhine River. This evening, enjoy a gala
dinner hosted by the Captain (B, L, D)

Day 7 Amsterdam, Netherlands
The ship sails along the Amsterdam Rijnkanaal
and into Amsterdam. This morning, take a
glass top canal boat to explore Amsterdam's
maze of canals or join a guided walk of the city.
Have free time this afternoon. Later, return to
your ship for a farewell dinner (B, L, D)

Day 8 Amsterdam, Netherlands
After breakfast transfer to the airport for your
flight to London (regional flights are available
on request[±]) (B)

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reverse on selected dates
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Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite	R	£2,845	£1,839
Grand Balcony Suite	S	£3,445	£2,439
Owner's Suite	SA	£4,095	£3,089

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DANUBE DELIGHTS

7 NIGHTS DEPARTING 15TH JUNE, 20TH JULY, 3RD AUGUST, 21ST & 28TH SEPTEMBER 2017

OTHER DATES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Day 1 Fly from London to Munich, Germany
(regional flights are available on request*). Upon arrival, transfer to Nuremberg to board your award-winning *Star-Ship* for your seven night river cruise (D)

Day 2 Kelheim – Regensburg, Germany
This morning's sailing takes you through the fascinating Main-Danube Canal to Kelheim. As you cruise along the Danube River you'll reach Regensburg for a guided walking tour. This evening, you have an invitation to enjoy a Welcome Dinner (B, L, D)

EmeraldPLUS: evening entertainment with a traditional Bavarian Band

Day 3 Passau, Germany
On this morning's walking tour, you'll stroll through the cobblestone streets and narrow alleys before emerging to find the perfect view of the hilltop Oberhaus Fortress. Return to your ship for lunch and afternoon cruising along the Danube (B, L, D)

Day 4 Melk – Dürnstein, Austria
Your tour of Austria's wine-growing region begins in Melk – a pretty town situated on the south bank of the Danube River. After exploring, sail to Dürnstein through the great Wachau Valley – home to the 12th century castle where Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned after returning from the crusades (B, L, D)

EmeraldACTIVE: Guided bike tour along the Danube or a guided hike to Dürnstein Castle

Day 5 Vienna, Austria

Today, you are taken on an icon-filled coach tour along the Ringstrasse where you'll see Vienna's famous Opera House, Burgtheatre, Town Hall and Hofburg Imperial Palace, before hopping off to explore further on foot (B, L, D)

Day 6 Bratislava, Slovakia

Today you'll experience the bustling pedestrian plazas and stylish street cafés of Bratislava. And for a more profound insight, you'll be taken on a sightseeing tour of the Old Town. This evening, you have an extra special invite to the Captain's Gala Dinner (B, L, D)

EmeraldPLUS: A home hosted afternoon tea with a local Slovakian family

Day 7 Budapest, Hungary

For an amazing end to a fantastic holiday, you are welcomed to Budapest – with a guided tour of the city's sights. The day concludes with an evening cruise along the Danube, where you'll enjoy a traditional Hungarian Farewell Dinner, complete with folk dancing and music (B, L, D)

Day 8 Budapest, Hungary

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

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DEPARTS 26TH JUNE, 10TH & 26TH JULY, 7TH AUGUST & 8TH NOVEMBER 2017

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- Day 1 Fly from London to Amsterdam, Netherlands** (regional flights are available on request*). Upon arrival, transfer to your *Scenic Space-Ship* for your 14 night voyage. Relax and raise your glass to the days ahead at this evening's welcome reception (D)
- Day 2 Amsterdam, Netherlands**
Freechoice – Experience an iconic canal cruise or enjoy a bit of quintessential Holland at Zaanse Schans. Alternatively, walk or cycle through the city, and let your Tailormade GPS device open your eyes to its many key attractions. This evening, join the Captain for an official Welcome Dinner (B, L, D)
- Day 3 Cologne – Marksburg, Germany**
Freechoice – Explore the Neanderthal Museum or take a stroll through Cologne. Alternatively, enjoy a cooking demonstration on board
Enrich – Delight in the medieval ambience at Marksburg Castle and partake in a magnificent feast, with an abundance of fine fare and quantities of free flowing local red wine and traditional entertainment (B, L, D)
- Day 4 Rhine Gorge – Rüdesheim, Germany**
Enjoy the unrivalled views and fresh air of the spectacular Rhine Gorge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Then alight in Rüdesheim and board the 'Winzerexpress' mini-train for a guided visit of Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum before enjoying a cable car ride to the Niederwald Monument (B, L, D)
- Day 5 Freudenberg, Germany**
Enrich – In Freudenberg celebrate the Scenic version of 'Oktoberfest', Germany's famously fun festival which is also a great opportunity to meet the locals, see some regional arts and crafts, and indulge in a Bavarian lunch with large servings of good humour and revelry (B, L, D)
- Day 6 Würzburg, Germany**
Freechoice – Visit the Bishop's Residenz Palace and sample some exquisite local wine, or explore the famous Romantic Road. Later, take in the beautiful walled town of Rothenburg, a medieval gem that overlooks the Tauber River (B, L, D)
- Day 7 Bamberg, Germany**
With your knowledgeable local guide, immerse yourself in the old town of Bamberg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site alive with history (B, L, D)
- Day 8 Nuremberg, Germany**
Freechoice – Visit moving WWII sites or enjoy a tour of culinary delights that will let you indulge your passion for local bratwurst, beer and gingerbread. Alternatively learn new techniques at a cooking class (B, L, D)
- Day 9 Regensburg, Germany**
Freechoice – Enjoy a walking tour of Regensburg or hop on board a local ferry and sail the Danube Gorge to Weltenburg Abbey where you can sample beer from one of the oldest monastic breweries in the world. You could also take a leisurely cycle to the Walhalla monument (B, L, D)
- Day 10 Passau, Germany – Salzburg, Austria**
Enrich – Let the 'Best of The Sound of Music and Salzburg Show' transport you to another time and place. Based on the timeless movie of the same name, this exclusive production is performed in the rolling hills of Salzburg and will wow you with its stage sets. Enjoy an authentic Austrian lunch before an afternoon of humming along to some catchy classics (B, L, D)
- Day 11 Melk – Dürnstein, Austria**
Freechoice – Experience Melk's magnificent 18th century Benedictine Abbey on a guided tour. Or, embark on an enjoyable guided bike ride along the river from Melk to Dürnstein
Sundowners – As the day ends, you'll get to take in a fine sunset at the breathtakingly beautiful Wachau Valley (B, L, D)
- Day 12 Vienna, Austria** (overnight stay on board)
Enrich – Breathe in the opulence and luxury of Palais Liechtenstein while enjoying a glass of fine Austrian Sekt. Then be enthralled by an enchanting private Viennese evening concert featuring the timeless music of Strauss and Mozart. Even in elegant Vienna, Palais Liechtenstein is one of the grandest of all venues, and you'll have ample opportunity to explore (B, L, D)
- Day 13 Vienna, Austria**
Freechoice – Take a guided tour of Bratislava or Schönbrunn Palace and witness the sheer opulence of the Habsburg Empire. Alternatively, visit the world-renowned Spanish Riding School for either a tour of the stables or to see the famous Lipizzaner Stallions perfecting their skills during their morning exercise programme. Or, why not taste your way around the local market on the 'Shop with a Chef tour' with your on board chef (B, L, D)
- Day 14 Budapest, Hungary**
Freechoice – Enjoy a guided tour of this city, which includes a piano concert. Or choose to relax at the Thermal Baths and Spa. Alternatively you can experience the labyrinths of the Hospital in the Rock (B, L, D)
- Day 15 Depart Budapest, Hungary**
After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights are available on request*) (B)

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Standard Suite	E	£3,245	£2,489
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Deluxe Balcony Suite	BD	£4,890	£4,139
Junior Balcony Suite	BJ	£5,240	£4,489
Royal Balcony Suite	RR	£6,590	£5,839
Royal Panorama Suite	RP	£7,340	£6,589

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Day 1 Fly from London to Siem Reap, Cambodia (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)

Day 2 Siem Reap, Cambodia
Upon arrival, transfer to the Victoria Angkor Resort and Spa* in Siem Reap for your two night stay. During the afternoon you can visit the famous temple of Cambodia, Angkor Wat. It is visually, architecturally and artistically breathtaking. Take in the romantic views at sunset from Bakheng Hill

Day 3 Siem Reap - Angkor Thom
After breakfast, enjoy a journey to visit South Gate of Angkor Thom, Bayon, Baphoun, Terrace of Elephant, Terrace of Leper King and Pimean Akas. This afternoon you will visit Thommanon, Chau Say Teveda, Ta Keo, Ta Promh, Banteay Kdei and Sras Srang. This evening experience a highlight and meet talented young performers in a breathtaking, entertaining and original Cambodian show at Phare Ponleu Selpak's Circus

Day 4 Siem Reap, Cambodia
Transfer to the port and embark *Mekong Pandaw* for your seven night cruise

Day 5 Kratie & the Dolphin Grounds
Sail through the morning to reach Kratie, a charming French colonial river port, and after lunch visit the dolphin grounds travelling further upstream by local bus

Day 6 Prek Kdam
Sailing down river you will stop at the very curious Monkey Temple, Wat Hanchey and Angkor Ban

Day 7 Phnom Penh
Whilst in Phnom Penh you will be provided with their own private cyclo. The Cyclo Centre Phnom Penh which provides the cyclos is a charity that provides basic welfare and medical services to cyclo drivers. You will visit the Royal Palace, Silver Pagoda and National Museum. In the afternoon, optional excursion (by coach) to the Killing Fields and the Khmer Rouge's grim Tuol Sleng or S21 detention centre

Day 8 Tonle River
Explorations up Tonle River to a silver making village, Kampong Trolach, and Chong Koh either by ship or by coach depending on water levels. This river is very pretty and there is a vibrant local life to be viewed along the river banks and in lesser craft

Day 9 Vietnam Boarder
Sail for the border and formalities and then continue to Tan Chau for the evening

Day 10 Chau Doc
This morning, either visit a Moslem Cham tribal village and a cat fish farm in Chau Doc with your guide or take a mountain bike and explore the local market and the Catholic Church. Later, enjoy a Sampan boat excursion to Sa Dec via Vinh Long, along canals and backwaters and see the local market and the ancient house of Mr. Huyn Thuy Le, the 'lover' of Marguerite Duras, a famous French novelist whose book was immortalised in the film *L'Indochine*. Overnight stay on board in Cai Be

Day 11 My Tho - Saigon
Early morning sail from Cai Be for My Tho where you will disembark and transfer to the Intercontinental Asiana Saigon hotel* for your two night stay including breakfast

Day 12 Saigon, Vietnam (featuring the Cu Chi Tunnels)
After breakfast enjoy a Saigon City Tour where you will visit the Notre Dame Cathedral, General Post Office, City Hall and the War Museum of Remnants. In the afternoon enjoy lunch in one of the local restaurants before driving to the extraordinary Cu Chi Tunnels. This complicated underground network was built by Viet Cong guerrillas. In the afternoon return to Saigon

Day 13 Saigon, Vietnam
Transfer to the airport for your return flight to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)

Day 14 Arrive London

Itinerary is based on 30th August 2017 departure and may operate in reverse on other dates



The Mekong Dolphins

The Mekong dolphin symbolises the mighty resilience of the Mekong River and its high levels of biodiversity.

As the dolphin is generally revered by local people, the species makes a good flagship to encourage support for broader river environment conservation issues. This means that the Mekong River remains undisrupted, peaceful, unobstructed by human activity and construction, and a clean river system. With only 80 dolphins inhabiting the river, these dolphins are extremely rare meaning that the opportunity to meet them really is a once-in-a-lifetime chance.

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Mekong Pandaw

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DEPARTING 29TH NOVEMBER 2017

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Wed 29 Fly from London to Tenerife, Canary Islands (regional flights are available on request*). Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark *Voyager* for your 21 night cruise to South Africa

Thu 30 Las Palmas, Gran Canaria

DECEMBER 2017

Sun 3 Mindelo, Cape Verde

Fri 8 Georgetown, Ascension Island

Mon 11 Jamestown, St. Helena (depart early afternoon)

Fri 15 - Sat 16 Walvis Bay, Namibia (overnight stay on board - depart early afternoon)

Sun 17 Lüderitz, Namibia

Tue 19 Cape Town, South Africa (overnight stay on board)

Wed 20 Cape Town, South Africa
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights are available on request*)

Thu 21 Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE FARES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside Deluxe	IDX	£2,469	£2,269
Outside Standard	OST	£2,589	£2,189
Outside Deluxe	ODX	£3,389	£2,959
FREE upgrade to a Balcony Suite (BS)*			
Owner's Suite	OS	£5,699	£4,949

YULETIDE *in* SOUTH AFRICA

16 NIGHTS

DEPARTING 19TH DECEMBER 2017

DECEMBER 2017

Tue 19 Fly from London to Cape Town, South Africa (regional flights are available on request*)

Wed 20 Cape Town, South Africa
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark *Voyager* for your 14 night cruise of South Africa, beginning with an overnight stay on board

Thu 21 Cape Town, South Africa (depart late afternoon)

Sat 23 Port Elizabeth, South Africa

Sun 24 East London, South Africa (depart early afternoon)

Mon 25 Enjoy CHRISTMAS DAY relaxing at sea

Tue 26 - Wed 27 Maputo, Mozambique (arrive early afternoon - overnight stay on board)

Thu 28 - Fri 29 Richards Bay, South Africa (arrive early pm - overnight stay on board)

Sat 30 - Sun 31 Durban, South Africa (overnight stay on board - depart late afternoon)

JANUARY 2018

Wed 3 Cape Town, South Africa
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights are available on request*)

Thu 4 Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE FARES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside Superior	ISU	£2,839	£2,539
Outside Standard	OST	£3,539	£2,939
Outside Deluxe	ODX	£4,629	£4,029
Junior Suite	JS	£4,739	£4,139
Balcony Suite	BS	£5,069	£4,069
Owner's Suite	OS	SOLD OUT	

DISCOVER *the* MAL D'AFRIQUE

16 NIGHTS

DEPARTING 2ND JANUARY 2018

JANUARY 2018

Tue 2 Fly from London to Cape Town, South Africa (regional flights are available on request*)

Wed 3 Cape Town, South Africa
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark *Voyager* for your 14 night cruise to Mauritius, beginning with an overnight stay on board

Thu 4 Cape Town, South Africa

Sat 6 Port Elizabeth, South Africa

Mon 8 - Tue 9 Durban, South Africa (overnight stay on board)

Wed 10 Richards Bay, South Africa

Sat 13 Port d'Hoala, Madagascar (depart early afternoon)

Mon 15 Pointe des Galets, Reunion Island

Tue 16 Port Louis, Mauritius (overnight stay on board)

Wed 17 Port Louis, Mauritius
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional flights are available on request*)

Thu 18 Arrive London

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE FARES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
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Inside Deluxe	IDX	£3,249	£2,949
Outside Superior View	OSV	£3,749	£3,149

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DEPARTING 31ST JANUARY 2018

JANUARY 2018

Wed 31 Fly from London to Colombo, Sri Lanka
(regional flights are available on request*)

FEBRUARY 2018

Thu 1 Colombo, Sri Lanka
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark
Voyager for your 14 night cruise to Dubai,
beginning with an overnight stay on board

Fri 2 Colombo, Sri Lanka

Sat 3 Tuticorin, India

Sun 4 - Cochin, India (arrive midday - overnight stay
Mon 5 on board)

Wed 7 Goa (from Marmagao), India (depart early
afternoon)

Thu 8 - Mumbai, India (overnight stay on board -
Fri 9 depart early afternoon)

Sat 10 Porbandar, India

Tue 13 Abu Dhabi, UAE (arrive midday)

Wed 14 Dubai, UAE (overnight stay on board)

Thu 15 Dubai, UAE
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your
flight to London (regional flights are available
on request*)

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE FARES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside Superior	ISU	£2,179	£1,929
Inside Deluxe	IDX	£2,599	£2,349
Outside Standard	OST	£2,749	£2,219
Junior Suite	JS	£3,639	£3,139
Owner's Suite	OS	— SOLD OUT —	

ARABIAN NIGHTS *and* GRECIAN DAYS

18 NIGHTS

DEPARTING 14TH FEBRUARY 2018

FEBRUARY 2018

Wed 14 Fly from London to
Dubai, UAE (regional flights
are available on request*)

Thu 15 Dubai, UAE
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark
Voyager for your 17 night cruise to Athens,
beginning with an overnight stay on board

Fri 16 Dubai, UAE

Sat 17 Khasab, Oman (depart early afternoon)

Sun 18 Muscat, Oman

Tue 20 Salalah, Oman (arrive midday)

Sun 25 - Safage, Egypt (arrive late
evening - overnight stay on board)

Wed 28 Transit the Suez Canal

MARCH 2018

Fri 2 Heraklion, Crete

Sat 3 Athens (from Piraeus), Greece (overnight
stay on board)

Sun 4 Athens (from Piraeus), Greece
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your
flight to London (regional flights are available
on request*)

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR ROL CRUISE SALE FARES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside Superior	ISU	£1,419	£1,269
Inside Deluxe	IDX	£1,689	£1,539
Outside Standard	OST	£1,769	£1,469
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14 NIGHTS DEPARTING
20TH MARCH 2018

MARCH 2018

Tue 20 Fly from London to Athens, Greece
(regional flights are available on request*). Upon arrival, transfer to the port of Piraeus and embark *Minerva* for your 14 night voyage, beginning with an overnight stay on board

Wed 21 Athens (from Piraeus), Greece
(depart early pm)

Transit the Corinth Canal

Thu 22 Cephalonia, Greece

Fri 23 Sarandë, Albania (depart mid pm)

Corfu, Greece (arrive early evening – overnight stay on board)

Sat 24 Corfu, Greece (depart mid pm)

Sun 25 Dubrovnik, Croatia (arrive midday – overnight stay on board)

Mon 26 Dubrovnik, Croatia

Tue 27 Brindisi, Italy

Thu 29 Messina, Sicily (depart mid pm)

Scenic cruising Stromboli

Fri 30 Palermo, Sicily

Sat 31 Naples, Italy (arrive midday – overnight stay on board)

APRIL 2018

Sun 1 Naples, Italy (depart early pm)

Mon 2 Rome (from Civitavecchia), Italy
(overnight stay on board)

Tue 3 Rome (from Civitavecchia), Italy
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Melissani Lake & Monastery of St. Andrew

Sarandë, Albania - Butrint & Sarandë

Corfu, Greece - Panoramic Corfu, Old Corfu Town

Dubrovnik, Croatia - Dubrovnik by Cable Car,
Artistic Konavle & Cavtat

Brindisi, Italy - Alberobello, Lecce, Ostuni

Messina, Sicily - Mount Etna, Taormina

Palermo, Sicily - Palermo Botanical Garden,
Palermo Sightseeing & Palatine Chapel

Naples, Italy - Sorrento, Pompeii,
Archaeological Museum

Rome, Italy - Relaxing Rome,
Baroque Rome, Tarquinia

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Outside	I	£3,195	£2,689
Outside	G	£3,995	£3,489
Balcony Suite	D	£5,595	£4,439
Deluxe			
Balcony Suite	B	£6,345	£5,189
Owner's Suite	A	£6,995	£5,839

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Maritime Memories

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



THE WORLD TRAVEL MARKET, HELD EVERY AUTUMN IN LONDON'S EXCEL VENUE, IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST TRAVEL BUSINESS EVENT

Its vast exhibition features numerous countries and their tourism offerings, giving travel organisers great opportunities to uncover new destinations and experiences.

With tens of thousands of international delegates, WTM is a great opportunity for us "mature" attendees to renew old acquaintances and of course to reminisce together. For those of us in the cruise sector this invariably involves asking one another where our favourite classic ships are now. One British-operated vessel still doing sterling service is Swan Hellenic's "Minerva", whose cultured cruise programmes would be impossible to replicate on today's much larger ships. Her transits of the Corinth Canal, with its steep walls in touching distance of the ship's bridge, remind me of planning "Black Prince" itineraries years ago – a feat of

navigation much loved by the guests, but dreaded by the crew! (See page 32).

To this day, it is the smaller ships that can pioneer new destinations, although with rather less such vessels to choose from their voyages do tend to sell out fast. The larger ships are generally focussed on repeat trips from one home port, whilst when they do operate exotic routes they will favour larger, well-known ports. For those of us still ticking the wish-list, a big "thank you" to companies like Azamara who keep adding new ideas to their portfolio. (Turn to pages 12-13).

The Azamara ships are part of a series of eight identical sisters built for the now defunct Renaissance Cruises; today spread amongst several owners. With the new smaller ships all targeting the luxury market, let's hope these can continue to offer a broad choice of holidays.

WITH THE NEW SMALLER SHIPS ALL TARGETING THE LUXURY MARKET, LET'S HOPE THESE CAN CONTINUE TO OFFER A BROAD CHOICE OF HOLIDAYS.

Our own recent travels have been rather more land-locked due to family visits, with our seafaring limited to Stena Line's overnight Hook of Holland services!

However planning is now in hand for a trip in March which includes a Seychelles cruise. This will be with Variety Cruises on board their 44 passenger motor yacht "Pegasus", gently pottering around the islands for a week with a few friends.

The Variety fleet, with its destination-rich itineraries and smart destination style, allows ROL to offer some new experiences for our adventurous travellers. (Variety launch promotion on pages 44-46)

New Year greetings to you all,

Nigel.

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- Mon 15** Fly from London to Singapore on your FREE flight^{>>} (regional and premium class flights are available on request[>])
- Tue 16** **Singapore**
Upon arrival, transfer to a hotel[‡] for your overnight stay
- Wed 17** **Singapore**
Transfer to the port and embark the luxurious *Seven Seas Voyager*[®] for your 16 night voyage
- Fri 19** **Ko Samui, Thailand**
- Sat 20 - Mon 22** **Bangkok (from Laem Chabang), Thailand** (two night stay on board)
Known as "the Venice of the East", due to the many canals slicing through the city, Bangkok lies at the mouth of the Chao Phraya River and has been wowing tourists with its exotic temples, lavish palaces and teeming markets for decades
- Tue 23** **Sihanoukville, Cambodia**
- Thu 25** **Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam** (overnight stay on board)
Formerly known as Saigon, Ho Chi Minh is a high-octane city of commerce and culture, interspersed with timeless alleys, ancient pagodas, teeming markets and wooden shops, sleek skyscrapers, designer malls, gourmet restaurants and minimalist bars

Fri 26 **Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam** (depart early pm)

Sat 27 **Nha Trang, Vietnam**

Mon 29 **Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia**

Tue 30 **Muara, Brunei**

Wed 31 **Kuching, Malaysia**

FEBRUARY 2018

- Fri 2** **Singapore**
Upon arrival, transfer to the Fullerton Hotel[‡] for your three night stay
- Sat 3** **Singapore**
Today, enjoy a guided tour* of Singapore including highlights such as historic Padang, a riverboat ride down the Singapore River and a visit to the world-renowned Raffles Hotel
- Sun 4** **Singapore**
Today, you will enjoy a tour* of the Gardens by the Bay. These Gardens capture the essence of Singapore as the premier tropical Garden City with the perfect environment in which to love and work. Tonight, enjoy an Asian inspired dinner at the Marina Bay Sands Hotel where you will dine against an unforgettable panoramic view
- Mon 5** **Singapore**
Transfer to the airport for your FREE flight^{>>} to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request[>])
- Tue 6** **Arrive London**

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First landfall, thriving Falmouth is famed for its maritime legacy and coastal culture. Plus as the gateway to the stunning Fal River, exceptional views are not in short supply. Next, the charming little town of Cobh is a gateway to the city of Cork and excursions to Ireland's legendary Blarney Castle.

Dublin is a destination always on the go and seamlessly blends an impressive collection of museums and galleries with cosmopolitan modernism, sociable, charismatic locals with multiculturalism – and of course the pubs and bars here are world-renowned from the city's oldest, The Brazen Head, to the newest wine bar.

Holyhead calls next, before you arrive in Belfast. A fairly compact city, Belfast is made up of three roughly contiguous areas that are easy to navigate on foot. The atmospheric 900ft-long dock where the Titanic was built is open to the public and ranks as one of the greatest attractions in Northern Ireland. Don't miss the Ulster Folk Museum or the Belfast Cathedral.

Nestled along the east coast of the Isle of Man, charming Douglas is your next port of call before arriving in Greenock. From one cultural hotspot to another, this historical industrial town is your gateway to Glasgow. With so much to offer including a world-class cultural scene, fantastic shopping and historical architecture, your time here will be well spent.

Friendly fishing village Djúpivogur is your first Icelandic stop before you voyage the seas to the volcanic landscapes of Heimaey. When you have had your fill of stunning landscapes and vibrant culture in Heimaey, your next port Reykjavík will come as a surprise.

Described as 'the little capital with a big heart', Reykjavík will prove to be as surprising as it is breathtaking. This land of fire and ice defies description with its geothermal wonders creating some of the most dramatic natural spectacles on Earth: steaming geysers, surreal landscapes of glaciers, thundering waterfalls and volcanic craters.

Just when you think you've seen the best that Iceland has to offer, you will arrive at your next destination – Ísafjörður. This Icelandic metropolis is utterly enchanting – modernism collides with the clear, dark waters of the fjord and the majestic landscapes provide a dramatic backdrop. In spite of its prosperity, Ísafjörður retains much of its charm including timber and tin-clad buildings in its centre.

With so much to explore, you will be thankful for your overnight stay in Akureyri. Although only 100km from the Arctic Circle, Akureyri's warm micro-climate allows for the world's most northerly botanical garden, filled with exotic plants. Not only this, but the surrounding waters are usually home to whales, so be sure to grab your binoculars and head out onto the bay. For more whale-watching escapades, although this time against a backdrop of snow-capped peaks, then a visit to Húsavík will satisfy.

The capital of the Faroe Islands, is best seen from the water. Tórshavn, is built on a hillside and as you sail into the harbour, you'll see the entire town banking up the hill before you. As you arrive, make sure you discover the prolific birdlife and admire the quirky, colourful turf-roofed houses.

Lerwick is the next destination on your itinerary before arriving in the main town of Orkney, Kirkwall. A town full of character, discover Neolithic highlights such as the Maeshowe burial chamber, the henge and stone circle as well as the well-preserved settlement of Skara Brae.

Next, the Scottish city of Dundee waits your arrival with open arms and friendly faces. Combining an intriguing history with a modern look, Dundee is home to a rich culture and arts scene.

Serving as the port of Edinburgh for hundreds of years, your subsequent landfall in Leith might easily be overlooked, but with a 14th century harbour and a jovial atmosphere, it's worth your while pausing for a moment en route to Edinburgh to soak up the ambience.

Upon arrival in Edinburgh, it won't take long before you are itching to delve into your surroundings as it is a city that simply begs to be explored – combining both ancient and modern in a decidedly Scottish environment, there is plenty for you to peruse as you enjoy an overnight stay on board. Why not visit the Scotch Whisky Experience or Edinburgh's lowland malt distillery, Glenkinchie, in Penciland, East Lothian. You will also have the perfect opportunity to enjoy the Edinburgh Tattoo – a fantastic celebration of music, theatre and dance.

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JULY 2017

Mon 31 Embark *Silver Wind* at London Tower Bridge
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AUGUST 2017

Tue 1 Depart London Tower Bridge

Wed 2 Falmouth, Cornwall

Thu 3 Cobh (for Cork), Ireland

Fri 4 Dublin, Ireland (depart late night)

Sat 5 Holyhead, Wales (depart late night)

Sun 6 Belfast, Northern Ireland (depart late night)

Mon 7 Douglas, Isle of Man

Tue 8 Greenock (for Glasgow), Scotland

Thu 10 Djúpivogur, Iceland

Fri 11 Heimaey, Iceland

Sat 12 Reykjavík, Iceland

Sun 13 Ísafjörður, Iceland

Mon 14 Akureyri, Iceland (overnight stay on board –
depart early am)

Tue 15 Húsavík, Iceland (arrive early pm)

Thu 17 Tórshavn, Faroe Islands

Fri 18 Lerwick, Shetland Islands (depart late night)

Sat 19 Kirkwall, Orkney Islands

Sun 20 Dundee, Scotland (depart early evening)

Mon 21 - Leith (for Edinburgh), Scotland

Tue 22 (arrive early am – overnight stay on board)

Thu 24 Disembark at London Tower Bridge

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

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SUITE	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Vista Suite (ONLY 3 LEFT)	VI	£15,769	£7,929
Veranda Suite (ONLY 3 LEFT)	VR	£18,334	£10,099
Midship Veranda Suite (ONLY 2 LEFT)	DV	£18,999	£10,469

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18 NIGHTS DEPARTING 2ND JANUARY 2018

JANUARY 2018

Tue 2 Fly from London to Cape Town, South Africa (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)

Wed 3 Cape Town, South Africa
Upon arrival, transfer to the Table Bay Hotel† for a two night stay including breakfast. Tonight, enjoy a 14 course welcome dinner at GOLD restaurant (D)

Thu 4 Cape Town, South Africa
Today enjoy a full day tour of the Cape Peninsula plus Table Mountain ascent*. On this tour you will take in the beaches of Clifton and Camps Bay, before crossing over to Hout Bay, where you may choose to join an optional boat cruise to Seal Island. From here you will be taken to the Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. After lunch, continue to Simonstown and visit the African Penguin breeding colony. Later, stop at the world-renowned Kirstenbosch Gardens (B, L)

Fri 5 Cape Town, South Africa
After breakfast, transfer to the port and embark *Silver Spirit* for your 10 night voyage (B)

Sat 6 Relaxing at sea

Sun 7 Port Elizabeth, South Africa

Mon 8 Relaxing at sea

Tue 9 Maputo, Mozambique
Discover the relaxed charm of Maputo with its wide, European-style boulevards, lush with jacaranda, bougainvillea and other tropical foliage, where old colonial palaces are mixed in with modern high-rise buildings

Wed 10 - Richards Bay, South Africa (overnight stay on board)

Thu 11 Richards Bay is one of South Africa's largest harbours, and is the tourist's gateway to Zululand, once the mightiest of the sub-Saharan African Kingdoms

Fri 12 Durban, South Africa

Sat 13 East London, South Africa

Sun 14 Relaxing at sea

Mon 15 Cape Town, South Africa
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to Port Elizabeth. Upon arrival, transfer to the Shamwari Wildlife Reserve for a four night stay* in your choice of luxury accommodation, each set in its own very unique area of the reserve (D)

Tue 16 - Shamwari Wildlife Reserve
Thu 18 Game viewing is carried out during the morning and afternoon when you are guided by your expert ranger in an open game viewing vehicle. The game drives will take between three and four hours. In between game drives your time is filled with relaxing, enjoying a game walk or a visit to one of the two Born Free Big Cat Sanctuaries (B, L, D)

Fri 19 Shamwari Wildlife Reserve
Enjoy one last game viewing activity this morning before being transferred to Port Elizabeth airport for your overnight flight to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request*) (B, L)

Sat 20 Arrive London

Meals are included on the land tour as stated: B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

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Your exclusive package includes a four night stay at the 5★ Long Lee Manor Lodge at the Shamwari Game Reserve

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 - **FREE** wines, Champagne and spirits served throughout the ship**
 - Open-seating restaurants with gourmet menus by Relais & Châteaux, free in-suite dining and 24-hour room service
 - Butler service for all suites
 - Enrichment programmes and sophisticated entertainment
 - **FREE** Wi-Fi~
 - All on board gratuities and port handling charges
- Four night Shamwari Safari package provided by Cox & Kings*

All flights and overseas transfers

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

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YOUR EXCLUSIVE ROL CRUISE FARES

SUITE	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP)±	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Vista Suite	VI	£8,699	£7,599
Veranda Suite	B1	£8,999	£7,999
Veranda Suite	B4	£9,499	£8,699

FREE upgrade to a Veranda Suite (B5)^

Book a Silver Suite or above and enjoy
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Silver Suite	SL	£11,599	£10,499
Royal 1 Suite	R1	£13,499	£12,299
Grand 1 Suite	G1	£14,099	£12,799
Owner's 2 Suite	O2	£16,399	£14,999

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*Cox & Kings Shamwari segment of the tour is on a full board basis and excludes drinks. Game viewing and tours are subject to weather conditions and may not be suitable for guests with mobility restrictions. ~Free Wi-Fi includes unlimited internet access for guests booked in Medallion, Silver, Royal, Grand, and Owner's suites. One hour internet access per guest/ per day applies for those guests booked in Vista, Terrace, and Veranda suites. **Chauffeur transfer mileage is capped at up to 100 miles each way. Silversea, Cox & Kings and Reader Offers Ltd Package Holiday booking conditions apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.

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20 NIGHTS DEPARTING 18TH MARCH 2018

MARCH 2018

- Sun 18** Fly from London to Papeete, Tahiti on your **FREE flight^{>>}** (regional and premium class flights available on request*)
- Mon 19** Papeete, Tahiti, French Polynesia
Transfer to the port and embark *Marina* for your 18 night voyage
- Tue 20** Bora Bora, French Polynesia
The dramatic Mount Otemanu stands watch over the sparkling turquoise waters and sugary sands of Bora Bora, known as the most romantic island in the world. Snorkel, swim with the manta rays or enjoy an outrigger canoe ride through the lagoon and its lovely coral islands
- Wed 21** Rangiroa, French Polynesia
- Thu 22** *Cruising the South Pacific*
- Fri 23** Nuku Hiva, Marquesas Islands
Visit the entrancing Vaipo Waterfalls and Cascade Tevaipo, which is one of the world's tallest falls at over 1,100 feet. Wander the black sand beaches, marvel at the giant tiki at Piki Vehini, or get adventurous on an all-terrain vehicle excursion around the craggy island
- Sat 24 -** *Cruising the South Pacific*
- Tue 27**
- Wed 28** Hilo, Hawaii
- Thu 29** Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii
- Fri 30** Kahului, Maui, Hawaii

Sat 31 Nawiliwili, Kauai, Hawaii

In Hawaii, a rain shower is called a "blessing." Kauai has been blessed many times over, with verdant rainforests and shimmering peaks. Hike in Waimea Canyon, take a raft on the Wailua River, marvel at the Botanical Gardens or luxuriate on one of the many sun-kissed beaches

APRIL 2018

Sun 1 - *Cruising the South Pacific*

Thu 5

Fri 6 Los Angeles, USA

Disembark and transfer to the airport for your **FREE** overnight flight to London^{>>} (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)

Sat 7 Arrive London

YOUR EXCLUSIVE ROL CRUISE FARES

STATEROOM	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) ⁼	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside	G	£5,602	£3,769
Deluxe Outside	C	£5,992	£4,159
Veranda	B4	£6,462	£4,629
Concierge Veranda	A4	£6,692	£4,859
Penthouse Suite	PH3	£7,742	£5,879
Oceania Suite	OC	£9,762	£7,929
Owner's Suite	OS	£13,122	£11,889

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Free Wi-Fi for all bookings^{*}

PLUS, your choice of one additional extra:

- *Free* \$1,000 on board spend^{*}
- *Free* House Drinks Package – including wine, Champagne and beer by the glass with lunch and dinner⁺⁺
- Five *Free* shore excursions^{*}

18 night cruise on board the elegant Marina, including:

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27 NIGHTS DEPARTING 12TH MAY 2018

MAY 2018

- Sat 12** Fly from London to Kansai, Japan (regional and premium class flights are available on request²)
- Sun 13** **Kansai, Japan**
Upon arrival, transfer to a 5★ hotel² in Osaka for your two night stay
- Mon 14** **Osaka, Japan**
Explore Osaka at your leisure today. With a unique blend of restaurants, bars, entertainment, shopping, the arts, history, and industrial strength, Osaka's sights and sounds are a memorable experience
- Tue 15** **Osaka, Japan**
Transfer to the port in Kobe and embark the 6★ *Seabourn Sojourn* for your 21 night all-inclusive voyage to Vancouver
- Fri 18** **Aomori, Japan** (depart late night)
- Sat 19** **Hakodate, Japan** (depart mid afternoon)
- Sun 20** **Kushiro, Japan** (depart late afternoon)
- Wed 23** *Cross the International Date Line*
- Sun 27** **Kodiak, Alaska** (depart early evening)
Known as the Emerald Isle, Kodiak's verdant landscape and abundant outdoor opportunities make it a popular choice for nature enthusiasts. Take a visit to the island's best known park the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, where you will discover a diverse habitat that ranges from rugged mountains and alpine meadows to wetlands, spruce forest and grassland
- Tue 29** *Cruising Glacier Bay*
- Wed 30** **Skagway, Alaska** (depart early evening)

- Thu 31** **Juneau, Alaska** (depart early evening)
Alaska's scenic capital is home to the mighty Mendenhall Glacier – embark on the Steep Creek Trail, where if you're lucky, you'll spot a black bear. Other highlights include the Alaskan Brewing Company, the Shrine of St. Therese and Alaska State Museum

JUNE 2018

- Fri 1** *Cruising the Inside Passage*
- Sun 3** **Victoria, Canada** (depart late night)
- Mon 4** **Vancouver, Canada**
Disembark and transfer to a 5★ hotel² for your two night stay
- Tue 5** **Vancouver, Canada**
Spend today at your leisure. The Vancouver area is surrounded by some of the most stunning natural beauty in the world. Mountains. Ocean. Rainforest. Parks. Beaches. This is a city like no other! With endless options for activities, sights and attractions, Vancouver is a city to explore. By coach or minibus, horse-drawn carriage or helicopter, bicycle or on foot – on your own, as a couple, group or family – your choices for fun, excitement and enjoyment are limitless!
- Wed 6** **Vancouver, Canada**
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- Thu 7** **Arrive London**
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Two night 5★ pre-cruise hotel stay in Osaka, Japan[†]
21 nights of all-inclusive cruising aboard the ultra-luxury 6★ Seabourn Sojourn, including:

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- Complimentary Veranda Suite upgrade[†]
- Complimentary Wi-Fi for Wintergarden Suites and above[†]

Two night 5★ post-cruise hotel stay in Vancouver[†]

Return flights (regional and premium class flights are available on request[†]) and overseas transfers

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Earn up to 83,998 when booking this fantastic voyage, worth £839 off your next booking with ROL Cruise^{††}



Your Exclusive ROL Cruise Fares

SUITE	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [‡]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Ocean View Suite	A	£13,699	£11,799
Veranda Suite	V1	£14,299	£12,499
Veranda Suite	V2	£14,799	£12,999
Complimentary upgrade to a Veranda Suite (V3)[‡]			
Veranda Suite	V6	£15,999	£14,499
Penthouse Suite	PH	£21,999	£19,499
Owner's Suite	OW	£28,499	£25,999
Wintergarden Suite	WG	£35,499	£31,999
Grand Wintergarden Suite	GR	£45,999	£41,999

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7 NIGHTS DEPARTING

27TH MAY, 10TH & 24TH JUNE, 22ND JULY,
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- Day 1** Fly from London to Lisbon, Portugal (regional and premium class flights are available on request*). Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark *MS Panorama II* for your seven night cruise
- Day 2** **Portimão, Portugal**
Today, enjoy a half day excursion to Silves, which was largely destroyed by a 17th century earthquake. During your visit to Silves, you'll also have time to browse the historic exhibits at the Museu Arqueológico. We leave Silves and travel into the Serra de Monchique to reach the picturesque city of Monchique nestled between two hills. The city retains its 16th century charm and you will walk through its cobbled streets with small doorways housing various artisan trades. Spend the afternoon at your leisure
- Day 3** **Cádiz (for Seville), Spain** (overnight stay on board)
Enjoy exploring the highlights of Cádiz in a half day tour including the Cathedral, the Alcazar Palace and its Andalusian gardens, the Maria Luisa Park and the quaint and elegant district of Santa Cruz
- Day 4** **Cádiz (for Jerez de la Frontera), Spain**
Enjoy an optional excursion to Jerez de la Frontera, famous for its wines, horse breeding and flamenco. Highlights include the Alcázar, the Cathedral and a "ganadería", where bulls are raised to take part in bull fighting. After lunch, enjoy an optional guided tour of Cádiz and Sanlúcar de Barrameda. Later, enjoy a trip to a wine cellar renowned for its production of "Manzanilla"
- Day 5** **Gibraltar**
Today, enjoy a cable car ride to the Top Station. Here, you will enjoy breathtaking views of Gibraltar as you are suspended in mid-air. At the Top Station your guide will show you around the geography of this British colony. Later, transfer to Princess Caroline's Battery and the entrance to the Great Siege Tunnels, a system of tunnels carved out of solid limestone. Proceed to the Gibraltar Museum with its enormous amount of artefacts on display
- Day 6** **Porto Banus (for Ronda), Spain**
Upon arrival in Porto Banus, disembark for your optional shore excursion – a full day tour taking in highlights such as the historic old town and the nearby 18th century Puente Nuevo. Ronda is also famous as the birthplace of modern bullfighting, today glimpsed once a year at the spectacular Feria Goyesca. Later, walk to the leafy Plaza Duquesa de Parcent, which boasts a convent, two churches, including the toy town bell tower of the iglesia Santa Maria de Mayor. We return to port and there is time to visit trendy Marbella
- Day 7** **Motril (for Granada), Spain**
Here, enjoy an optional full-day excursion to Granada, one of the most fascinating cities in Europe and the last Muslim city to fall to the Christians in 1492. Visit the Cathedral with its Royal Chapel where Isabella and Ferdinand lie buried, the Monastery of La Cartuja and many churches built by Moorish craftsmen after the Reconquest, in Granada's unique "mudéjar" style
- Day 8** **Málaga, Spain**
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your return flight to London (regional and premium class flights are available on request*)

Itinerary is based on 10th June 2017 departure and ports of call may differ on other departure dates

YOUR SPECTACULAR ROL CRUISE FARES

CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE (PP) [±]	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Lower Deck	C	£2,380	£2,129
Lower Deck	B	£2,728	£2,469
Upper Deck / Main Deck	A	£3,250	£2,999

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- **FREE** €200 on board spend*
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- Full board – buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner included
- Welcome cocktail
- Tea, coffee and drinking water
- Private BBQ event
- Captain's honour night
- Services of an English-speaking host/cruise director
- Use of fishing and snorkelling equipment
- Flights (regional and premium class flights are available on request*) and overseas transfers

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- Fri 14** Fly from London Gatwick or Manchester to Barcelona
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- Sat 15** Relaxing at sea
- Sun 16** Tangier, Morocco
- Mon 17** Relaxing at sea
- Tue 18** Las Palmas, Gran Canaria
- Wed 19** Arrecife, Lanzarote
- Thu 20** Relaxing at sea
- Fri 21** Málaga (for tours to Granada), Spain
- Sat 22** Relaxing at sea
- Sun 23** Barcelona, Spain
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your return flight to London Gatwick or Manchester

YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE ROL CRUISE FARES

STATEROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside	IE	£899
Book a Balcony Stateroom or above and choose ONE added benefits		
Balcony	BE	£1,199
Mini Suite	MD	£1,679
Book a Suite and receive ALL FOUR added benefits		
Haven Penthouse	H6	£2,799

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FREE all-inclusive Drinks Package for every booking**

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- Day 1** Fly from London Gatwick or Manchester to Venice, Italy
Upon arrival, transfer to the port and embark *Norwegian Star* for your seven night voyage
- Day 2** Dubrovnik, Croatia (arrive early pm)
- Day 3** Relaxing at sea
- Day 4** Piraeus (for Athens), Greece
- Day 5** Santorini, Greece
- Day 6** Relaxing at sea
- Day 7** Ravenna, Italy
- Day 8** Venice, Italy
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your return flight to London Gatwick or Manchester

Itinerary is based on 23rd April 2017 departure and ports of call may vary on other dates

YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE ROL CRUISE FARES

STATEROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE (PP)
Inside	IF	£799
Book an Ocean View Stateroom or above and choose ONE added benefit		
Ocean View	OK†	£1,089
Balcony	BA	£1,359
Mini Suite	MB	£1,549
Book a Suite and receive ALL FOUR added benefits		
Suite	SJ	£2,399

Fares and availability are based on 23rd April 2017 departure

++Drinks Package includes 18% gratuity charge, but may exclude some premium brands, room service and mini-bar. Guests under the age of 21 will receive a soda package. **Dining Package includes four meals per person, includes 18% gratuities and speciality service charge and can be used at select speciality restaurants only – please ask for more details. ~Internet package is one login per stateroom and is capped at 250 minutes per stateroom. Norwegian Cruise Line and Reader Offers Limited Agency terms of business apply. Please see back page for full terms and conditions.

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15 NIGHTS DEPARTING 8TH APRIL 2017

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Sat 8 Embark *Minerva* and depart Portsmouth
Mon 10 *Transit the Kiel Canal*
Tue 11 Karlskrona, Sweden (arrive early afternoon)
Thu 13 Helsinki, Finland
Fri 14 - St. Petersburg, Russia (overnight stay on board)
Sat 15
Sun 16 Tallinn, Estonia (arrive early afternoon)
Tue 18 Klaipeda, Lithuania
Thu 20 Copenhagen, Denmark
Fri 21 *Transit the Kiel Canal*
Sun 23 Arrive Portsmouth

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YOUR CHOICE OF INCLUDED SHORE EXCURSIONS

Karlskrona - Karlskrona & Kristianopol, Walking Tour, Karlskrona World Heritage
Helsinki - Suomenlinna Island, City Highlights & Traditional History, Sibelius Ainala
St. Petersburg - State Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg City Drive, Peterhof Palace, Footsteps of St Peter the Great, Hermitage Museum, Peter & Paul Fortress
Tallinn - Soviet Past & Upper Town Walk, Tallinn City Walk, City Drive & Walk
Klaipeda - City Tour, Kretinga & the Counts Mansion, Klaipeda & Palanga Tour
Copenhagen - Roskilde, Frederiksborg Palace & Gardens, Copenhagen City Tour & Walk

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CABIN (TWIN FOR SOLE USE)	GRADE	BROCHURE FARE*	ROL CRUISE FARE
Outside	H	£6,980	£3,659
Outside	F	£8,485	£4,399
Balcony Suite	D	£14,830	£5,759

*Book a Superior Balcony Suite or above and receive complimentary Chauffeur Transfers***

Superior Balcony Suite	C	£16,420	£6,559
Deluxe Balcony Suite	B	£16,870	£6,779

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St. Malo, France



SUMMER GARDENS AND CASTLES OF BRITAIN & FRANCE

11 NIGHTS DEPARTING 15TH JULY 2017

APRIL 2017

Sat 15 Embark *Minerva* and depart Portsmouth
Sun 16 St. Malo, France
Mon 17 Falmouth, Cornwall (depart late night)
Wed 19 Dublin, Ireland
Thu 20 Liverpool, England
Fri 21 Douglas, Isle of Man
Sat 22 Fishguard, Wales (depart late night)
Mon 24 St. Peter Port, Guernsey
Tue 25 Honfleur, France
Wed 26 Arrive Portsmouth

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR CHOICE OF INCLUDED SHORE EXCURSIONS

St. Malo - Mont St Michel, Dinan & Dinard, Château de La Roche Jagu
Falmouth - The Lost Gardens of Heligan, St. Michael's Mount, St Ives & Cornwall Drive
Dublin - Powerscourt Gardens & Dublin Panorama, Helen Dillion's Garden, Dublin City Walk
Liverpool - RHS Flower Show Tatton Park, Liverpool City Drive, City of Culture & Speke Hall
Douglas - Island Highlights, Isle of Man Walk, Victorian Railways & Snaefell
Fishguard - National Botanic Garden, Pembroke Castle and South Wales, A Taste of Wales & Welsh Tea
St. Peter Port - Gardens of Guernsey, Guernsey Island Drive, Occupied Guernsey
Honfleur - Giverny, Highlights of Rouen, Caen & Peace Rose Garden

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CABIN (TWIN FOR SOLE USE)	GRADE	BROCHURE FARE*	ROL CRUISE FARE
Outside	H	£5,390	£2,799
Outside	F	£6,785	£3,439
Balcony Suite	D	£11,590	£4,439

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OCTOBER 2017

Mon 2 Embark *Balmoral* and depart Southampton

Tue 3 Relaxing at sea

Wed 4 *Transit the Kiel Canal*

Thu 5 Copenhagen, Denmark

Fri 6 Relaxing at sea

Sat 7 Tallinn, Estonia

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Sun 8 St. Petersburg, Russia

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Mon 9 Relaxing at sea

Tue 10 Riga, Latvia

Wed 11 Relaxing at sea

Thu 12 Warnemünde, Germany

Fri 13 *Transit the Kiel Canal*

Sat 14 Relaxing at sea

Sun 15 Arrive Southampton

YOUR ROL CRUISE NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT PRICES

ROOM (TWIN FOR SOLE OCCUPANCY)	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE
Interior	H	£1,499
Ocean View	F	£1,649
Superior Ocean View	B	£2,049



Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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46 NIGHTS DEPARTING 23RD JANUARY 2018

JANUARY 2018

Tue 23 Embark *Balmoral* and depart Southampton

Sat 27 Funchal, Madeira

Sun 28 Santa Cruz, Tenerife

Wed 31 Praia, Cape Verde

FEBRUARY 2018

Sun 4 Fortaleza, Brazil

Tue 6 Maceió, Brazil

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Thu 15 Montevideo, Uruguay

Fri 16 - Buenos Aires, Argentina (overnight stay on board)

Sat 17 Punta del Este, Uruguay

Sun 18 Santos (for Sao Paulo), Brazil

Wed 21 Salvador, Brazil

MARCH 2018

Fri 2 Mindelo, Cape Verde

Mon 5 Arrecife, Lanzarote

Wed 7 Lisbon, Portugal

Sat 10 Arrive Southampton

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR ROL CRUISE NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT PRICES

ROOM (TWIN FOR SOLE OCCUPANCY)	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE
Interior	H	£4,749
Ocean View	D	£5,799
Superior Ocean View	B	£6,499

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Peach and crème fraîche crumble cake

SERVES 12-16

INGREDIENTS

CAKES

- 450g self-raising flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 200g butter, plus a little for greasing
- 350g demerara sugar
- 6 eggs
- 150g crème fraîche
- 25ml peach schnapps or peach juice
- 100ml peach purée
- 7 fresh peaches, halved and stoned (or 2 x 400g tins peach halves, drained)

CRUMBLE

- 60g plain flour
- ½ tsp ground cinnamon
- 30g butter, diced
- 30g demerara sugar

TOPPING

- 100g crème fraîche
- 100g cream cheese
- 50ml double cream

METHOD

1. Grease and line a 24cm high-sided, loose-bottomed cake tin. Preheat the oven to 150C/300F/Gas Mark 2.
2. Make the cake mixture by rubbing together the flour, baking powder and butter in a bowl to form a texture resembling breadcrumbs. Then stir in the sugar.
3. In another bowl, whisk the eggs, crème fraîche, peach schnapps or juice, and purée together. Pour into the bowl of dry mixture and mix to a thick batter.
4. Pour half of the mixture into the greased tin. Lay the peach halves, cut-side up, onto the batter in concentric circles. Cover with the remaining batter and smooth off the top.
5. Bake in the centre of the oven for 1 ¼ hours until the cake has risen and cooked to a golden colour. Insert a skewer into the centre of the cake; it should come out clean, if not, bake for a further five minutes and repeat. Remove cake from oven and allow to cool in the tin.
6. Turn the oven up to 180C/350F/Gas Mark 4. Prepare the crumble by mixing together

the flour, ground cinnamon and butter in a bowl until it resembles fine breadcrumbs. Stir in the sugar then spread on to a baking sheet and bake for six to eight minutes until crispy and golden brown. Leave to cool.

7. Prepare the topping by whisking the crème fraîche, cream cheese and double cream together. Spread topping over the cake in the tin. Scatter the crumble over the top. Ease the cake out of the tin and slice to serve.



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