

SOLO
TRAVEL



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Horizons

Solo Traveller Special

UNMISSABLE

INDEPENDENT TRAVELLER DEALS

— *Handpicked for you by ROL Cruise* —



**ROL
CRUISE** 
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There's Nothing Quite Like Travelling Solo

Look no further than ROL Cruise, the UK's No.1 Independent Cruise Specialist, for incredible Solo Traveller Cruise Holidays.

Cruising and solo travellers could have been made for each other. Holiday with individuals who also share a passion for travel, whom you can discover exciting new destinations with. You'll be amongst other like-minded travellers on each voyage you book, so you can share your new experiences. Your travel arrangements are handled by the experts here at ROL Cruise, so once on board, relax knowing you are in a safe environment, and secure in the knowledge that the attentive crew will be around to look after your every wish. Solo cruising is increasing year-on-year, and travelling independently has become a much-desired holiday experience.

Travelling with friends and family is great, but there's nothing like holidaying solo. An element of compromise is inevitable when you travel in a group, whereas solo cruises give you the freedom to choose what's best for you. This newfound-freedom will likely make you feel liberated to try new things you wouldn't usually feel able to. With a cruise, there's no switching hotels or arranging transfers to and from cities to worry about – the ship takes you where you need to go, when you need to be there. There's plenty of dining options available to you – no matter when you're feeling peckish and the excursions have been designed to ensure you see the very best of each destination. All that's left for you to think about is simply relaxing and having a good time.



DON'T FORGET

TO CLAIM YOUR BLUE HORIZONS BOOKING BONUS
Please see page 51 of the your April Edition of Blue Horizons for full details.

Book any cruise featured in this issue of Blue Horizons before 26th April 2019 and you'll receive a **WINE CONNOISSEURS SET** – simply fill out the form on the page 51 of your April Edition of Blue Horizons and return by 30th April 2019



Within this Solo Traveller Special, you will discover exclusive value, much of which is only available when booking with ROL Cruise, unforgettable destinations and of course, exceptional deals.

So, why should you book your solo traveller cruise with ROL Cruise? Here's what our customers say...



"ROL offers solo travellers an excellent opportunity to holiday at a reasonable and affordable price with no single supplement. Thank you!"

"As a single traveller I have found ROL Cruise excellent both in value and service."

"As a single traveller I would highly recommend ROL. Always reliable, always safe and reasonably priced"



When booking with ROL Cruise you don't need to worry about the effects of Brexit on your holiday:

- We guarantee the price of your holiday will not increase. The price given at the booking stage is the price you will pay, regardless of the Brexit outcome
- You are fully protected by ABTA & ATOL
- The European Commission has assured that flights from and to the UK will still operate, even in the case of a no-deal Brexit

INDEPENDENT TRAVEL ON BOARD THE ICONIC OCEAN LINER, *QUEEN MARY 2*

A No-Fly Transatlantic Voyage is an ideal cruise for the independent traveller. Departing from Southampton on board the iconic *Queen Mary 2*, the days at sea are packed full of activities, lectures, workshops and events. Once on board, you'll be welcomed along with other independent travellers at a specially-organised coffee morning, an excellent opportunity to meet like-minded guests.

The options on board are endless. Treat yourself to a pamper in the Canyon Ranch Spa^{xx}, attend a well-being demonstration or art lecture, and of course, there's the daily Afternoon Tea, served by Cunard's famed white-gloved waiters in the Queens Room to a different live musical recital each day.

On the eighth day, *Queen Mary 2* will pull into New York. Enjoy a breathtaking experience as you sail under the Verrazano Narrows suspension bridge and past the Statue of Liberty. Take advantage of organised excursions^x to explore the Big Apple with your fellow guests.

Back on board for the return crossing, there's the opportunity to take advantage of any activities you may have missed. Here are a few of our favourite suggestions below:

- **Attend a lecture from an Insights speaker**

From celebrities and politicians to historians and authors, Cunard have a brilliant on board lecture programme which is tailored to each voyage.

- **Learn to dance with a professional dance instructor**

Every day a different dance will be taught, from the Waltz to the Foxtrot, with the opportunity to put your new skills to practice each night to a live orchestra. Welcoming dance hosts ensure no one is without a partner.

- **Enjoy a performance in the Royal Court theatre**

West-End style shows, live music and RADA performers make each evening one to savour, with performances taking place in venues ranging from the grand Royal Court Theatre to intimate bars and lounges.





THE ICONIC NO-FLY TRANSATLANTIC VOYAGE ON BOARD *QUEEN MARY 2*



Queen Mary 2, New York, USA

**COMPLIMENTARY
ON BOARD SPEND
OF UP TO \$270***

**COMPLIMENTARY
CAR
PARKING***

**COMPLIMENTARY
COACH
TRANSFERS**

14 NIGHTS DEPARTING 31ST MAY 2019 & 18TH APRIL, 6TH MAY,
7TH JUNE, 14TH AUGUST & 1ST DECEMBER 2020

OTHER DATES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST - PLEASE CALL FOR DETAILS

Day 1 Embark Queen Mary 2 and depart Southampton

Restaurant where Cunard's Sommeliers will guide you through a chosen topic as you tuck into a three course lunch**

Day 2 - Relaxing at sea

Day 7 Savour seven nights at sea. *Queen Mary 2* has a timeless appeal, combining a wonderful sense of glamorous history and modern style. As you continue your voyage, 25-hour days will ensure there's no jet lag as you cross the time zones

Day 8 New York, USA

New York is arguably the biggest, tallest and most exciting city anywhere in the world! Its legendary sights uniquely define a larger-than-life metropolis whose sheer style and energy will surpass every expectation. Shop 'til you drop on Fifth Avenue, see the bright lights of Broadway, experience the bustling Times Square and view spectacular Manhattan from the top of the Statue of Liberty... no other city can match the Big Apple!

Day 9 - Relaxing at sea

Day 14 If you hadn't shopped enough in New York, why not visit the duty free Mayfair shops. With a wide range of brands, there's sure to be something to take your fancy. Perhaps Lunch & Learn in The Verandah

Day 15 Arrive in Southampton

YOUR INCREDIBLE ROL CRUISE FARES

STATEROOM/SUITE (TWIN FOR SOLE OCCUPANCY)	GRADE	ROL CRUISE FARE
BRITANNIA RESTAURANT		
Inside	IC	£2,129
Oceanview	EF	£2,529
Balcony	BF	£3,199
Club Balcony	A2	£4,019
PRINCESS & QUEENS GRILL		
Princess Grill Suite	P2	£6,989
Queens Grill Suite	Q6	£8,529
Penthouse Suite (only 1 left)	Q4	£13,629

Fares and availability are based on 1st December 2020 departure

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To book this magnificent cruise call today **FREE** on **0800 251 1661**

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Michaela Kelly

Going Solo

Loyal ROL Cruise customer, Michaela Kelly, reveals all about her experiences of cruising as a solo traveller...

The questions that are asked when you say you are going on a cruise ship alone range from: “Aren’t you brave!” to “Gosh, lucky you!” But it doesn’t take bravery to travel solo, as ROL Cruise will take care of you from booking, to embarkation and throughout your holiday.

I have never found travelling as a singleton too daunting, because I know how much fun and how rewarding it can be. To the uninitiated all I can say is – why leave all the fun to couples?

I recently met a lady on her first solo cruise who had seen an itinerary that she fancied and gone for it. She told me, “I never knew there was so much to see and do on board as a solo passenger. I found the cruising experience so much easier than expected as people were so friendly and welcoming when joining the many activities on board during the day and in the evening.”

In that sentence, she summed up all that is good about solo cruising: the people you meet, the amazing list of activities and the vibrant social scene.

What do I like most about solo travelling? The freedom. Whilst it’s nice to have a companion, for me it’s better to decide every day what only I want to do. So, to all those on-the-brink soloists I say, go for it! You will be so glad you did.

All the cruise lines cater for solo travellers because we are a growing market. Solos are being courted now as never before. Until perhaps ten years ago, there were no single cabins, just double for single occupancy, but now ships are being re-fitted with cabins designed just for one.

Ships also include solos meetings on board. In the past, this would be mostly elderly people but now the age range has dropped considerably, and both men and women are taking part. These meetings are a great way for people on their own to meet each other.

My only tips directed at solo travellers are, board with a smile on your face and do whatever takes your fancy.

For me, as a woman, I spend less time worrying about being single than I do about dressing for a “formal” evening in my sparkliest kit so I

“Board with a smile on your face and do whatever takes your fancy”

can make a grand entrance down a sweeping staircase into the dining room, there to be helped by a kind waiter to my table. It’s worth getting someone to take your picture doing this, like a film star! Then I will see a great show in an enormous theatre and finally try my luck at the casino.

With regard to the choice of cruise lines, it’s horses for courses, but having said that, the basics are always the same: top quality accommodation, top quality service and top quality entertainment with excursions ashore at every port of call. If you want a medium-sized ship that can squeeze up narrow Norwegian Fjords, choose Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines’ beautiful *Balmoral*; if you want to cross the Atlantic on a majestic Cunarder, the *Queen Mary 2* is for you, whilst P&O Cruises provide a wide and amazing variety of on board entertainment. But truly, ALL the modern cruise ships will give you a holiday of a lifetime, single or otherwise. Don’t hesitate – the world awaits!

“Top quality accommodation, top quality service and top quality entertainment”

Did you know that here, at ROL Cruise, we source fantastic solo traveller offers exclusively for our customers? Please don’t miss out on our incredible offers. To receive these exclusive solo traveller offers please call one of our Cruise Specialists today.

SOLO TRAVEL: A SPOTLIGHT ON FRED. OLSEN CRUISE LINES

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Join fellow solo travellers on a Fred. Olsen Cruise - the best place to meet other solo cruisers and explore exciting destinations. On board you'll enjoy a warm, sociable atmosphere as you cruise to dream destinations around the globe in pure comfort and classic style, meeting people and creating friendships that will last a lifetime along the way. Fred. Olsen know that seeing the world with new-found friends and like-minded travellers is a truly memorable and enjoyable experience, so will always ensure guests never feel alone on board. The fleet has a reputation of being one of the friendliest afloat, and cruising is so much more enjoyable when you travel with new-found friends.

Solo guests feel right at home on board the Fred. Olsen fleet. The small ships of the Fred. Olsen fleet are perfect for making new friends and you will always have smiling staff waiting to greet you from the moment you arrive on board. Fred. Olsen pride themselves on making sure solo cruisers feel they can have the freedom to do as much or as little as they like - aboard or ashore.

Once on board, check your Daily Times to see when the solo travellers meeting is, so you can get to know your fellow cruisers.



IF A FRED. OLSEN CRUISE ISN'T FOR YOU
**Fred. Olsen's
ENJOYMENT
PROMISE**
WE'LL REFUND YOUR CRUISE FAIR*

Fred. Olsen are so confident that you'll enjoy the whole Fred. Olsen experience that if within a couple of days of sailing you find it's not for you, just let them know and they'll arrange for a flight back to the UK from the next port and give you your money back. Please speak to one of our Cruise Specialists for full details**

**Enjoyment promise t&c's apply. Booking conditions of Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines (ATOL 5016) apply. Please see the back page for full terms and conditions.



Petra, Jordan



Pitons, St. Lucia

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15 NIGHTS DEPARTING 24TH FEBRUARY 2021

Fly from London to Muscat, Oman (regional and premium class flights may be available on request*) - Upon arrival transfer to the port and embark *Boudicca* - Safaga (for Luxor), Egypt - Aqaba (for Petra), Jordan (depart late night) - *Transit the Suez Canal* - Alexandria, Egypt (depart late night) - Ashdod, Israel (arrive pm - overnight - depart early am) - Haifa, Israel - Limassol, Cyprus. Disembark and transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional and premium class flights may be available on request*)

YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

SINGLE ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE
Interior	N	£3,799
Ocean View	L	£4,999
Superior Balcony	J	£5,999

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Book today & earn up to 5,999 worth £59 off your next booking with ROL Cruise^{††}



CLASSIC CARIBBEAN & COLOMBIA

15 NIGHTS DEPARTING 21ST JANUARY & 18TH FEBRUARY 2021

Fly from London to Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic*.

Upon arrival transfer to the port and embark *Braemar* for your 14 night voyage beginning with an overnight stay on board - Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (depart early pm) - Cartagena de Indias, Colombia - Willemstad, Curacao - Kralendijk, Bonaire - Philipsburg, St. Maarten - Basseterre, St. Kitts - St. John's, Antigua - *Cruising by Montserrat* - Castries, St. Lucia - St. George's, Grenada - Bridgetown, Barbados (overnight) - Disembark and transfer to the airport for your overnight flight to London* - Arrive in London

YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

SINGLE ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE
Interior	N	£3,449
Ocean View	L	£4,149
Superior Balcony	J	£5,149
Balcony Suite	JB	£5,549

Prices & availability are based on 21st January 2021 departure date.

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Seven Sisters Waterfall,
Geirangerfjord



Funchal, Madeira

**NO-FLY
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BLACK WATCH'S MYSTERY CRUISE

9 NIGHTS DEPARTING 9TH APRIL 2020

Join the much loved **Black Watch** as she sails from Liverpool on this exciting adventure, making for a truly special voyage! An atmosphere of anticipation will begin the moment you board, escalating as your journey progresses, with everyone having their own theory as to which port will be appearing on the horizon next. Every destination will be kept a secret until the last possible moment, so you won't know where you're going until you arrive. Each day will be an adventure!

YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

SINGLE ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE
Interior	N	£1,549
Ocean View	L	£1,999
Superior Balcony	J	£2,529
Balcony Suite	JB	£2,699

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Book today & earn up to 2,699 worth £26 off your next booking with ROL Cruise^{††}



**NO-FLY
CRUISING**

CROSSING THE ARCTIC CIRCLE WITH THE MIDNIGHT SUN

14 NIGHTS DEPARTING 14TH JUNE 2020

Embark **Braemar** and depart Southampton - Hellesylt, Storfjord, Norway - *Cruising Geirangerfjord; Seven Sisters Waterfall - Ålesund, Norway - Cruising Nærøysundet; Torghatten (Hat Mountain); Seven Sisters mountain range; Cross Arctic Circle 66°31' (Norway) - Harstad, Norway - Honningsvåg, Norway - Cruising by North Cape & The Horn - Tromsø, Norway - Leknes, Lofoten, Norway - Molde, Norway - Arrive in Southampton*

YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

SINGLE ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE
Interior	N	£3,399
Ocean View	L	£4,299
Ocean View	K	£5,099
Superior Balcony	J	£5,599

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**NO-FLY
CRUISING**

CANARIES & PORTUGAL WITH MADEIRA METEOR SHOWER

14 NIGHTS DEPARTING 8TH DECEMBER 2020

Embark **Black Watch** and depart Liverpool - Vigo, Spain (depart early pm) - Funchal, Madeira (arrive early pm - overnight) - Funchal, Madeira (depart early pm) - Santa Cruz, Tenerife (depart late night) - Arrecife, Lanzarote - Lisbon, Portugal - Leixões (for Oporto), Portugal - Arrive in Liverpool

YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

SINGLE ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE
Interior	N	£2,399
Ocean View	L	£3,049
Superior Balcony	J	£3,899
Balcony Suite	JB	£4,199

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**EXCLUSIVE FREE
ON BOARD
SPEND
OF UP TO
£900***

**EXCLUSIVE
FREE
PRIVATE UK
CHAUFFEUR
SERVICE***

**FREE
GRATUITIES
SAVING
£540****

**OCEANS
MEMBERS
SAVE 5%****

Instead of enduring the wet, gloomy days and cold, long nights of the British winter, you could indulge in paradise at some of the most idyllic islands on earth; absorb a cocktail of diverse cultures; uncover 'lost cities' and ancient civilisations; marvel at jaw-dropping natural wonders and stunning wildlife; and take in the iconic sites of magnificent cities. This is a voyage of an epic proportion and the list of highlights are truly endless!

EXPLORE THE WORLD...WITH FRED. OLSEN CRUISE LINES

**TIME STOPS ON A WORLD
CRUISE**

With time seeming to go quicker than the blink of an eye, a world cruise gives you the opportunity to slow down, allowing you to absorb everything at your own pace and enjoy each precious moment. With only having to unpack once, you will have ample time to yourself, do the things you don't usually have time to; relax with one of those books you said you were going to read or why not pamper yourself with a dip in the Jacuzzi or a rejuvenating spa treatment**.

VALUE FOR MONEY

With your Fred. Olsen world cruise inclusive of meals, accommodation, an enriching daytime and evening entertainment programme, plus use of the facilities on board, this incredible global voyage really is exceptional value for money, even more so when all your gratuities are included – saving you an incredible £540**. Plus, with our exclusive world cruise benefits you can be sure that you are booking the best deal.

**EXPERIENCE UNFORGETTABLE
PORTS OF CALL**

This has to be the No.1 reason to take a world cruise. Think of all those places you've always wanted to visit and then imagine seeing them all in one journey. It might seem incomprehensible, but in just one journey you can visit 39 ports across 27 countries ensuring you endure experiences that are unique to travelling by sea, from cruising through the Panama Canal to gliding right into the heart of Sydney.

**Chauffeur transfers are based on two adults sharing, up to 50 miles each way and is tiered depending on grade booked. Booking

108 NIGHTS DEPARTING 8TH JANUARY 2021

Your **EXCLUSIVE FREE Private Chauffeur** will transfer you from your home to the port in style*

JANUARY 2021

Fri 8 Embark **Black Watch** and depart Southampton
Mon 9 Leixões (for Oporto), Portugal (depart early pm)
Wed 13 Funchal, Madeira
Thu 14 Santa Cruz, Tenerife (depart late night)
Fri 15 Santa Cruz, La Palma (depart early pm)
Fri 22 Bridgetown, Barbados
Sat 23 St. John's, Antigua (arrive early pm)
Sun 24 Road Town, Tortola
Tue 26 Grand Turk, Turks and Caicos Islands (depart late night)
Fri 29 Havana, Cuba (depart late night)

FEBRUARY 2021

Mon 1 Colon, Panama (arrive early pm - depart late night)
Tue 2 Full Daytime Transit of the Panama Canal
Thu 4 Puerto Caldera, Costa Rica (depart late night)
Sun 14 Nuku Hiva, French Polynesia
Tue 16 Fakarava, French Polynesia ★MAIDEN PORT★
 Fakarava is an atoll in the west of the Tuamotu group in French Polynesia. It is the second largest of the Tuamotu atolls
Wed 17 Papeete, Tahiti, French Polynesia (arrive early pm - depart late night)
Thu 18 Raiatea, French Polynesia ★MAIDEN PORT★
 Known as French Polynesia's best-kept secret, this dreamy paradise has a warm and hospitable culture that is pristine and untouched by mass tourism. While its sister island, Tahaa, is internationally renowned for its vanilla, Raiatea is recognised as the region's cultural and historical centre – local folklore describes it as the birthplace of the Polynesian gods
Fri 19 Bora Bora, French Polynesia
Tue 23 Crossing the International Date Line
Wed 24 Nuku Alofa, Tonga
Fri 26 Savusavu, Fiji
Sun 28 Mystery Island (Inyeug), Vanuatu (depart early pm)

MARCH 2021

Mon 1 Noumea, New Caledonia (depart early pm)
Thu 4 - Sat 6 Sydney, Australia (arrive early pm - two night stay)
 Enjoy two nights in Sydney, home to the iconic Harbour Bridge and the Magnificent Opera House. Why not visit Taronga Zoo, perhaps the most famous in all of Australia, enjoy the sights of the city 250m high atop the Sydney Tower, relax on beautiful Bondi beach, or get away from the crowds with a walk around the Blue Mountains
Mon 8 Burnie, Tasmania, Australia
Tue 9 Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
Sat 13 Albany, Australia
Mon 15 Fremantle (for Perth), Australia
Sat 20 Surabaya, Java, Indonesia ★MAIDEN PORT★
Sun 21 Semarang, Java, Indonesia
Tue 23 - Wed 24 Singapore (arrive pm - overnight)
Fri 26 Sabang, Weh Island, Sumatra, Indonesia
Mon 29 Colombo, Sri Lanka (depart late night)

Wed 31 Kochi, Kerala, India (depart late night)
APRIL 2021
Fri 2 Mormugão, Goa, India
Sat 3 - Sun 4 Mumbai, India (arrive early pm - overnight)
Mon 12 Aqaba, Jordan (depart late night)
Tue 13 - Wed 14 Transit the Suez Canal
Thu 15 - Fri 16 Haifa, Israel (overnight)
Sat 17 Limassol, Cyprus
Tue 20 Valletta, Malta
Fri 23 Málaga, Spain
Tue 27 Arrive in Southampton

Your **EXCLUSIVE FREE Private Chauffeur** will be awaiting your arrival to transfer you home in style*

Please note, as this voyage crosses the International Date Line, a day will be lost/gained. Dates not mentioned will be spent relaxing at sea

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WHAT'S INCLUDED IN YOUR ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PACKAGE

BOOK WITH THE NO. 1 CRUISE SPECIALIST FOR FRED. OLSEN CRUISE LINES

EXCLUSIVE FREE Private UK Chauffeur Service for all bookings*

EXCLUSIVE FREE on board spend of up to **£900** for all bookings*

108 nights full board no-fly adults-only cruising on board *Black Watch* including:

- **FREE** gratuities for all bookings saving you **£540****
- **UPGRADE** to an all-inclusive drinks package for only **£19 per night****
- All meals and late night snacks throughout your cruise
- **FREE** tea and coffee on board (at selected venues)
- A choice of daytime activities
- All evening entertainment, including dancing and cabaret shows
- Leisure facilities including gym, swimming pools and jacuzzis

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

EXCLUSIVE CRUISE MILES

Book today & earn up to **34,999** worth **£349** off your next booking with ROL Cruise††



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YOUR INCREDIBLE ROL CRUISE LAUNCH PRICES

SINGLE ROOM	GRADE	ROL CRUISE PRICE (PP)
Interior	N	£18,699
Ocean View	L	£23,549
Superior Balcony	J	£28,799
Balcony Suite	JB	£34,999

Just a deposit required to secure your preferred room then nothing to pay until 2020

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**SAVE
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INCLUDED****

Here at ROL Cruise, we can assure a fantastic holiday aboard Saga, where so much is included! When it comes to luxury cruising, Saga believe smaller is better. Beautifully boutique, their exclusive ships offer a uniquely British way to cruise. It begins the moment one of their chauffeurs picks you up at home, and continues as you step aboard into a world of first-class service, exceptional cuisine and beautiful surroundings.

SOLO TRAVEL WITH SAGA

Sumptuous single cabins

Solo cruisers are spoilt for choice, with a range of over 100 single balcony cabins. This is a first for the cruising industry: no other ship has dedicated such space to single cruise goers. In keeping with the ship's theme of choice, single cabins are available in a wide selection of grades, giving solo travellers just as much choice.

Exclusive activities for solo guests

A special 'Singles Mingle' drinks party take place early in each cruise, which is a great opportunity to meet and socialise with your fellow solo cruisers. There is also an exclusive Singles Lunch where you can get to know them better. On port days, when everyone is heading out to explore, they arrange a special singles meet up. This is your chance to link up with other solo guests for your shore excursion or to explore the destination together.

Fares are based on one adult in a twin room. *Based on 31st October 2020 departure. Please note Saga only accepts guests over 50, from 76 - 250 miles. Saga (ATOL 0308) Reader Offers Limited Agency terms of business apply. Please see back page for full terms and

THE MEDITERRANEAN'S BEAU MONDE

16 NIGHTS DEPARTING 15TH OCTOBER 2020

OCTOBER 2020

Thu 15 Embark *Spirit of Discovery* and depart Southampton for your 16 night voyage

Mon 19 Málaga, Spain

Wed 21 Palamos, Spain

Palamos is one of the most idyllic fishing villages on the Costa Brava and is famous for its prawns, white-sand beaches, hidden coves and rich history, complete with relics of its Catalan and Roman past. The 12th century castle of Sant Esteve de Mar offers an example of the region's architectural offerings while the Monteagut neighbourhood boasts the remains of the 13th century Vila-Roma Castell – Roman Town Castle

Thu 22 St. Tropez, France

Fri 23 Monte Carlo, Monaco

Sat 24 Alghero, Sardinia

Look forward to stepping ashore and back in time with a visit to one of the most attractive medieval cities in Sardinia. Set on the island's sandy Coral Riviera, honey coloured walls encircle this medieval fortress city, which is full of nostalgic charm and character

Sun 25 Mahon, Menorca

Tue 27 Gibraltar

Sat 31 Arrive in Southampton

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR BESTSELLING ROL CRUISE FARES

SINGLE CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE	ROL CRUISE FARE
Standard Single w. Balcony	WS	£6,485	£5,189
Standard Single w. Balcony	SS	£7,206	£5,406
Deluxe Single	PS	£10,962	£7,673
Single Suite	MS	£14,823	£9,636

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Monte Carlo, Monaco

FLAVOURS OF NORTH AFRICA

18 NIGHTS DEPARTING 31ST OCTOBER 2020

OCTOBER 2020

Sat 31 Embark *Spirit of Discovery* and depart Southampton for your 18 night voyage

NOVEMBER 2020

Wed 4 Casablanca, Morocco

The city of Casablanca is a vibrant fusion of European, African and Arabian influences and its Portuguese, Spanish and particularly French colonial heritage is evident in its striking architecture. Venture into the old medina, the original heart of the town which is a web of narrow streets and alleyways bustling with vocal street vendors and locals going about their daily lives

Thu 5 Ceuta, Spain

Sat 7 Algiers, Algeria

Mon 9 Valletta, Malta (overnight)

Tue 10 Valletta, Malta (depart early pm)

Wed 11 Tunis (from La Goulette), Tunisia

The city of Tunis exudes a distinctly European atmosphere which can be seen in its French colonial architecture, while venturing into a vibrant souk in the ancient medina – now a UNESCO World Heritage Site – brings the country's traditions to life. The remains of the ancient city of Carthage – once the third largest in the Roman Empire – are close to the city and boast an incredible history

Sat 14 Tangier, Morocco

Wed 18 Arrive in Southampton

Dates not mentioned are spent relaxing at sea

YOUR BESTSELLING ROL CRUISE FARES

SINGLE CABIN	GRADE	FULL FARE	ROL CRUISE FARE
Standard Single w. Balcony	WS	£7,287	£5,831
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YOUR 13 NIGHT RIVER CRUISE & LAND TOUR DEPARTS 14TH SEPTEMBER & 5TH OCTOBER 2019, 11TH APRIL, 2ND MAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER & 10TH OCTOBER 2020

- Day 1** **Fly from London to Beijing, China** (regional and premium class flights may be available on request*)
- Day 2** **Beijing, China**
Upon arrival, transfer to a hotel for your three night stay. Spend the rest of today at your leisure
- Day 3** **Beijing, China**
Walk through Tiananmen Square and into the magnificent Forbidden City. Later, take a ride through a traditional hutong neighbourhood on rickshaws, and visit a local family. This afternoon, soak up the harmonious ambience of the Temple of Heaven. Tonight, dine on local delicacy Peking Duck (B, L, D)
- Day 4** **Beijing, China**
Take a walk on the Great Wall of China, appreciating the wall itself and the dramatic scenery. Later, visit the Jade Factory, before strolling through the exquisite gardens of the Summer Palace (B, L)
- Day 5** **Beijing – Xi'an, China**
This morning, transfer to the airport for your flight to the ancient city of Xi'an. Visit the lovely Little Wild Goose Pagoda. Here, try 'Guohua', traditional Chinese painting with black ink to decorate a fan. Afterwards, browse through the exotic Muslim Quarter. This evening, dine on delicious Shui Jiao dumplings and watch a performance of Tang Dynasty dancing. Two night hotel* stay in Xi'an (B, L, D)
- Day 6** **Xi'an, China**
Spend the morning viewing the enigmatic ranks of the life-sized Terracotta Warriors. Afterwards, visit the Xi'an Art Ceramics and Lacquer Exhibition Workshop to see smaller models of the warriors being made. Later, stroll on the beautifully preserved 14th century city walls that enclose Xi'an's old town (B, L)
- Day 7** **Xi'an – Chengdu, China**
Board the bullet train to Chengdu. Upon arrival, take a walk through People's Park and visit the fascinating Matchmaker's Corner where parents search for worthy suitors for their children. Enjoy a delicious Sichuanese meal for dinner. Overnight hotel stay in Chengdu (B, L, D)
- Day 8** **Chengdu, China – Cruising the Yangtze River**
Today, visit the Panda Conservation Centre and China's most famous resident, the Giant Panda. Continue to Chongqing before embarking your ship for your three night Yangtze River cruise (B, L, D)
- Day 9** **Cruising the Yangtze River**
Today, visit the Jade Emperor Scenic Area, which has the largest image of the Jade Emperor in the world (B, L, D)

Tipping is payable locally. Tours and itinerary stated are subject to change and local conditions. Flights may be indirect. Booking conditions conditions.



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- Your visa fees **INCLUDED**
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- All sightseeing excursions*
- English speaking escort and local guides
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YOUR TOUR HIGHLIGHTS*:

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- Take a three night cruise along the Yangtze River
- Get up close to the Giant Pandas
- Experience the spectacular Terracotta Warriors
- Discover the imperial treasures of Beijing
- Explore the Great Wall of China

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Day 10

Cruising the Yangtze River

Prepare for breathtaking vistas as the ship passes through Qutang and Wu Gorges. Switching to a smaller vessel, take a relaxing trip on the Goddess Stream cruising through the beautiful and narrow gorges (B, L, D)

Day 11

Cruising the Yangtze River – Shanghai, China

Upon arrival, disembark the ship for a visit to the Three Gorges Dam, the largest hydroelectric dam in the world. Later, transfer to the airport for your flight to Shanghai. Upon arrival, transfer to a hotel[†] for your three night stay (B, L)

Day 12

Shanghai, China

Explore the peaceful Yu Garden and the atmospheric alleys of the old town. Admire the magnificent colonial architecture with a stroll along the Bund and visit the Silk Factory. This evening, head to Shanghai Circus World to see the spectacular ERA Show, a mesmerising display of martial arts and acrobatics (B, L)

Day 13

Shanghai, China

Spend today exploring at your leisure. This evening, enjoy a panoramic cruise on the Huangpu River before enjoying a farewell dinner (B, D)

Day 14

Shanghai, China

Transfer to the airport for your flight to London (regional and premium class flights may be available on request*). Arrive in London either the same or following day (B)

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

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Solo Travel: A Spotlight on P&O Cruises

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- ▶ In the evening, watch a dazzling show, enjoy a cocktail or two, whirling roulettes or dancing under the stars, the choice is yours.
- ▶ Dine on fantastic meals in exquisite surroundings, with great company and conversation, and of course, fine wines from around the world.
- ▶ Find your on board sanctuary in the Oasis spa, a haven of pampering and relaxation, or visit the hair and beauty salons to treat yourself to something extra special.
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JULY 2019

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- Sun 14 - Tue 16** St. Petersburg, Russia (two night stay)
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- Wed 17** Stockholm, Sweden (arrive late pm - overnight)
- Thu 18** Stockholm, Sweden
Disembark and transfer to the airport for your FREE return flight to London (regional and premium class flights may be available on request*)

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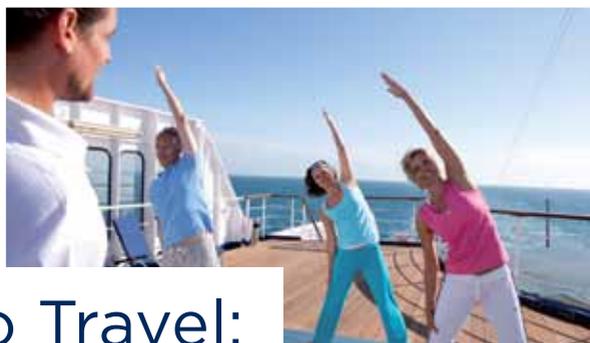
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Solo Travel: A Spotlight on Cruise & Maritime Voyages

Cruising solo with Cruise & Maritime Voyages is the perfect opportunity to discover incredible destinations across the globe in a safe and secure environment. Holiday with sociable individuals who share a passion for travel and with whom you can discover exciting new destinations with. A firm favourite with ROL Cruise customers, Cruise & Maritime Voyages not only provide a traditional style of cruising; bursting with charm at every turn but offer great value cruising including half price single cabins. But to truly appreciate this, you need to get on board and experience it for yourself!

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1 You'll never be on your own - unless you want to be

If you travel alone but like to be surrounded by like-minded company when you travel, you'll love cruising on board the Cruise and Maritime Voyages fleet. Or, if you choose to enjoy your own company, you can rest assured that you are cruising in a safe and secure environment.

2 You're in good company

Cruise & Maritime Voyages is hugely popular amongst those travelling independently. This means, whether it's your first solo cruise, or your fiftieth, rest assured the special on board singles programme of events including a welcome cocktail party and get-togethers will ensure the opportunity to meet like-minded travellers.

3 Every day is a learning day

There is an arts and crafts programme on board, and you'll be sharing your cruise experience with guest speakers who will offer talks on a whole multitude of subjects.

4 There's plenty of choice of accommodation

Whether you want to see the sea and enjoy having your cabin filled with sunshine when you draw your curtains in the morning, or are happy in an inside cabin, the choice is yours.

5 Friendly, attentive crew

Cruisers return to Cruise & Maritime Voyages year after year; and along with the destinations they visit, we'll bet the fantastic crew have something to do with this too.

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- Day 3 Kristiansund – Rørvik, Norway**
- Day 4 Cross the Arctic Circle**
Brønnøysund – Svolvær, Norway
You are invited out on deck for a traditional ceremony to mark crossing the Arctic Circle. Being above the Arctic Circle provides the best chances for experiencing the Northern Lights
- Day 5 Stokmarknes – Skjervøy, Norway**
Try your hand at husky dog sledding on an optional excursion*
- Day 6 Øksfjord – Berlevåg, Norway (for optional excursions to the North Cape)***
Enjoy magnificent sub-Arctic landscapes as you cross the 71st parallel on your journey towards the North Cape
- Day 7 Båtsfjord – Kirkenes – Berlevåg, Norway**
The ship turns at Kirkenes, and ports visited at night northbound will now be seen during the day southbound
- Day 8 Mehamn – Tromsø, Norway**
You arrive in Tromsø at night where you can enjoy a local night out or visit the Arctic Cathedral for a magical midnight concert*
- Day 9 Tromsø – Stamsund, Norway**
The island groups of Lofoten and Vesterålen offer some of the most stunning scenery you will see during the entire voyage
- Day 10 Bodø – Rørvik, Norway**
See the spectacular winter scenery of the picturesque Helgeland coast, including the Seven Sisters Mountain Range and the distinctive Torghatten Mountain
- Day 11 Trondheim – Ålesund, Norway**
- Day 12 Bergen, Norway**
Transfer to the airport for your flight to London*
- Above is a selection of the ports of call visited. For a full itinerary please ask your Cruise Specialist. Please note, shore excursions vary depending on departure date

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