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of Arvia's venues for illustrative purposes.

ARVIA

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P&O Cruises is excited to welcome its brand-new ship, Arvia, in December. Meaning 'from the seashore,' Arvia's name reflects the magic of sailing from different coastlines to new waters and beautiful destinations. Her modern and expansive design with luminous, wide open spaces offers the perfect balance of the familiar and the new. The sunshine ship celebrates all of the things you know and love about a P&O Cruises holiday while also giving you the chance to explore brand-new venues. It's all about more choice, more freedom and more unforgettable moments. Listing all of Arvia's sparkling features would take up a lot more space than these pages allow but here's some highlights of P&O Cruises new ship...

When she launches in December 2022, Arvia will head to Spain, Portugal and the Canary Islands for two celebratory festive cruises. After that, she'll dedicate her time to the sunshine with summers in the Mediterranean and winters in the Caribbean. Why not join her as she chases the sun year-round?

No matter where the mood takes you, Arvia has something to offer everyone. There are 15 decks of fun and relaxation for you to enjoy, including infinity pools, a swim-up bar, cinemas and a multi-venue dining promenade. And that's not to mention the open, light-infused SkyDome with a retractable roof. Arvia's radiant SkyDome is the place to kick back, take a dip in the pool or even catch a film at the open-air cinema, SeaScreen. As night falls, you'll feel the buzz of spectacular production shows, spellbinding performances and live music and DJ sets.

In addition to fleet favourites and iconic P&O Cruises foodie experiences, Arvia introduces new dining concepts you're sure to love. From breakfast till late, The Keel & Cow offers beautifully crafted gastropub food and a fine collection of draught and bottled beers and craft ales. Green & Co, feat.

Mizuhana serves up the freshest fish and plant-based dishes along with its own stylish sushi bar where you can watch expert sushi chefs at work. You could head over to 6th Street Diner for the best all-American eats in a truly cool setting, the perfect venue for fun dining with friends and family. Or for a taste of home, Roast in The Quays reinvents the classic Sunday roast with a range of meats, cooked to perfection and served with trimmings in a Yorkshire pudding wrap.

You'll also find much-loved watering holes with different vibes for different moods. Think sundowners at Sunset Bar, fun times at Brodie's pub, elegant aperitifs at Anderson's Bar and sultry night caps at The Crow's Nest. You can sip wine specially selected by wine expert Olly Smith at The Glass House, while Amber Lounge provides glamorous evenings sipping exclusively crafted cocktails. P&O Cruises are partnering with award-winning The Tidal Rum to create an island-inspired rum for Arvia's Caribbean adventures. Their unique blend will celebrate the sea and capture that sense of adventure and heart-skipping excitement that a holiday on Arvia brings. Infused with the finest rums of the Caribbean and coastal botanicals foraged at low tides, are you ready for an experience that will take you to the high seas of deliciousness?

As for entertainment, you're spoilt for choice. By day, you can enjoy impromptu performances in the Grand Atrium or thrilling new experiences in the outdoors. Will it be a round of tropical island-themed minigolf, a splash in the outdoor water play zone or playing daredevil on P&O Cruises first-ever high ropes experience? By night, you can sing along to spectacular production shows at Headliners Theatre, catch box-office hits and movie classics at Ocean Studios cinema or hit The Club House to dance the night away to live bands and irresistible playlists.

P&O Cruises will offer two 14-night celebratory maiden cruises to Spain, Portugal and the Canary Islands in December 2022. After that, seven to 22-night Caribbean fly-cruises will be available on Arvia from January 2023 to March 2023 and from October 2023 to March 2024. 13-14 night Mediterranean holidays will also be available on Arvia from April 2023 to October 2023 and from March 2024 to September 2024.





Cover image: The Grand Atrium, Celebrity BeyondSM

WELCOME

It's great to see that the cruise industry continues to take further steps towards returning to normality. In this issue of Into the Blue you'll notice that various members of our own team have been travelling again and are keen to share their experiences with you.

The main feature reviews some of the latest ships to have launched so far this year, namely Celebrity BeyondSM, Wonder of the SeasSM and Ambassador's Ambience. Speaking of new ships, as the countdown continues to the launch of Cunard's Queen Anne in January 2024, you can read our interview with her Captain, Inger Klein Thorhauge.

You may recall from a previous edition that I have enjoyed river cruising in the past - I took my family on an amazing adventure down the Mekong just a few years ago. Our Senior Marketing Executive Sam recently set sail on her first river cruise and, once you read her account of her time on board Riviera Travel's MS George Eliot, I'm sure you will agree she's also a convert to this style of holiday!

Meanwhile, our Product Manager Katie recently embarked on one of the world's most iconic railway journeys, the Rocky Mountaineer. It remains a popular itinerary for our Cruise & Stay customers, and once you read her write-up, you will soon see why.

If you've ever wondered exactly what scenic cruising involves, Editor of Into the Blue Emma offers her insights. In our regular features, take a look at our suggestions of how to spend 36 hours in the Maltese capital of Valletta, and be inspired by one of my personal favourite destinations, Dubai.

I hope you enjoy reading.

Yours sincerely

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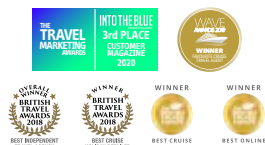
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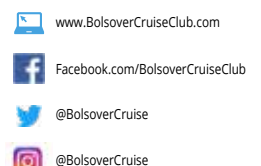
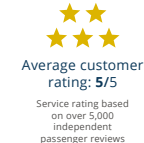
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DUBAI

Dubai is a city swathed in superlatives. Claims of 'the world's largest' seemingly lie around every corner, but behind this bullish facade is an altogether more humble core. Beyond the marble-cladded malls is a city that harbours traditional souks, wrapped in a terracotta desert that provides the most magnificent of outdoor playgrounds.



Palm Jumeirah panorama with Dubai Marina in the background



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The British Travel Awards recognise businesses in the leisure travel and tourism sector and we're proud to say that we have been nominated in not only one, but two categories this year!

We are in the running for Best Cruise Holiday Retailer and Best High Street Travel Agency - and we need your help. As the largest consumer-only voted travel awards in the UK, the winners of the British Travel Awards are solely determined by you, our customers.

The team at Bolsover Cruise Club are extremely proud to have been nominated for these awards. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you once again, as without your continued support this would not have been possible.

Whilst we are delighted to have been recognised in these categories, we would like to come out as the overall winner and will need your votes to make this possible.



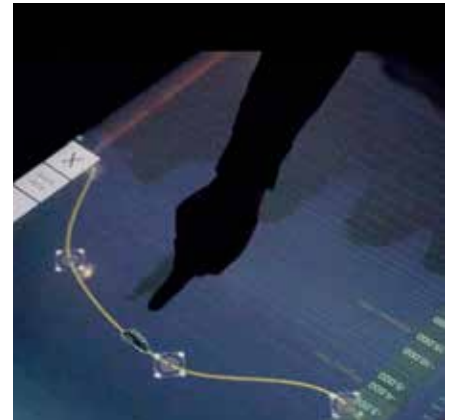
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Voting is now open and it's quick and easy to register your vote. All you need to do is visit our website at www.bolsovercruiseclub.com/bta, or scan the QR code using your mobile device and you will be taken straight to the voting page.

You've got until 2 October to vote and winners will be announced on 29 November at a ceremony in London. The results will be published the following day in the Daily Mirror and Mirror Online.



ARVIA'S ESCAPE ROOM PROMISES UNIQUE LIVE-ACTION ADVENTURE



Further details of the first P&O Cruises escape room have been announced, as Arvia's maiden voyage is just a matter of months away. Mission Control promises a unique, immersive experience, combining an escape game with submarine simulation and an intense live-action story.

Groups of up to 10 people can form a team of marine explorers and underwater detectives. On board the fictional Arvia II, and under the expert guidance of Dr. Melissa Ryan, teams must overcome danger and solve puzzles at every turn.

Realistic 3D surroundings will bring the adventure to life, taking passengers to the depths of ocean canyons where they will encounter sunken cities and underwater creatures. Anyone who is

successful in their mission will join Dr. Ryan's team and graduate as a fully-fledged member of the Marine Research Institute.

Phil Yeomans, Director of Entertainment at P&O Cruises, said: "We wanted to create something brand new and we believe this is the first of its kind in the world. We took the escape room (a really popular, fun, family activity) and a simulator, and mashed the two together to create a fantastic submarine experience. Boarding Arvia II is like being in the biggest blockbuster movie out there."

Entertainment Innovation Manager Michael Kelly continued: "The idea is that you step off Arvia and into Arvia II, where our top scientist Dr. Ryan sends you off on a research mission, diving deep down beneath the ship.

"Of course, things go wrong along the way and you have to figure out how to solve the problems to complete the mission. Mission Control completely puts the audience at the centre of the story. You really are on board this submarine, controlling it, steering and navigating the dive, flipping the switches and monitoring the sonar... you're in control at every stage of this incredible journey."

Arvia's maiden voyage is a 14-night sailing to the Canary Islands, departing Southampton on 9 December 2022.



Images above have been taken from P&O Cruises latest Mission Control trailer, head to www.bolsovercruiseclub.com/cruise-lines/po-cruises/arvia/ to watch.

CASE CONTENDERS

SEASONED CRUISER PACKING ESSENTIALS

Take it from the people who know best, these handy items will help make cruising a breeze. From days at sea to disembarkation, we've got you covered.

1. Suede Boat Shoes, Tommy Hilfiger

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£90 (uk.tommy.com/)

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2. Trespass Women's Packaway Jacket Indulgence, Trespass

You're enjoying a day out and the weather suddenly turns - we've all been there! Never be caught out in the rain again with this foldaway coat, which is easy to stash in your bag.

£23.99 (trespass.com)

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3. Braun Digital Travel Alarm Clock, Braun

Time zone hopping is one of the most exciting things about cruising, but it can leave you wondering exactly what hour it is. Make sure you're not relying on your phone to update with this handy alarm clock - just make sure it's always set to ship's time!

£25 (johnlewis.com)

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4. Emma 3 in 1 Hanging Wash Bag, Victoria Green

This isn't any ordinary wash bag, it includes a separate clear pouch you can easily detach to transport your liquids through airport security. While you're on your cruise, it'll keep everything neat and tidy.

£48 (victoriagreen.com)

5. LARQ Bottle Movement PureVis, LARQ

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£89 (livelarq.com)

6. Lifeventure Digital Luggage Scales, Lifeventure

Don't be caught out with excess baggage with these super-slick scales. If you've overdone it on souvenir shopping or simply like to be cautious, they're lightweight enough to carry in your suitcase.

£20 (rohan.co.uk)

7. Chelsea Overnight Bag, Antler

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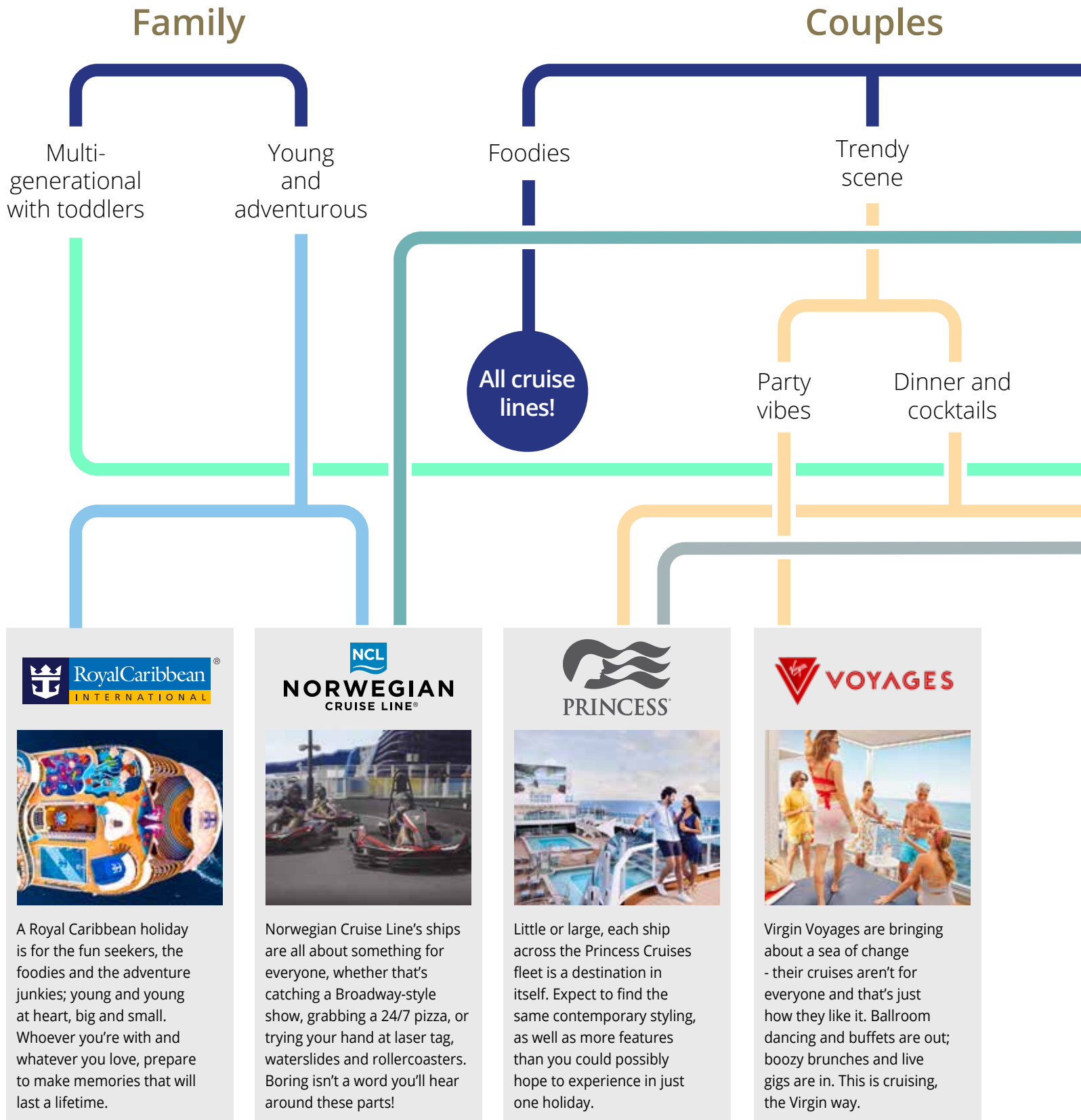


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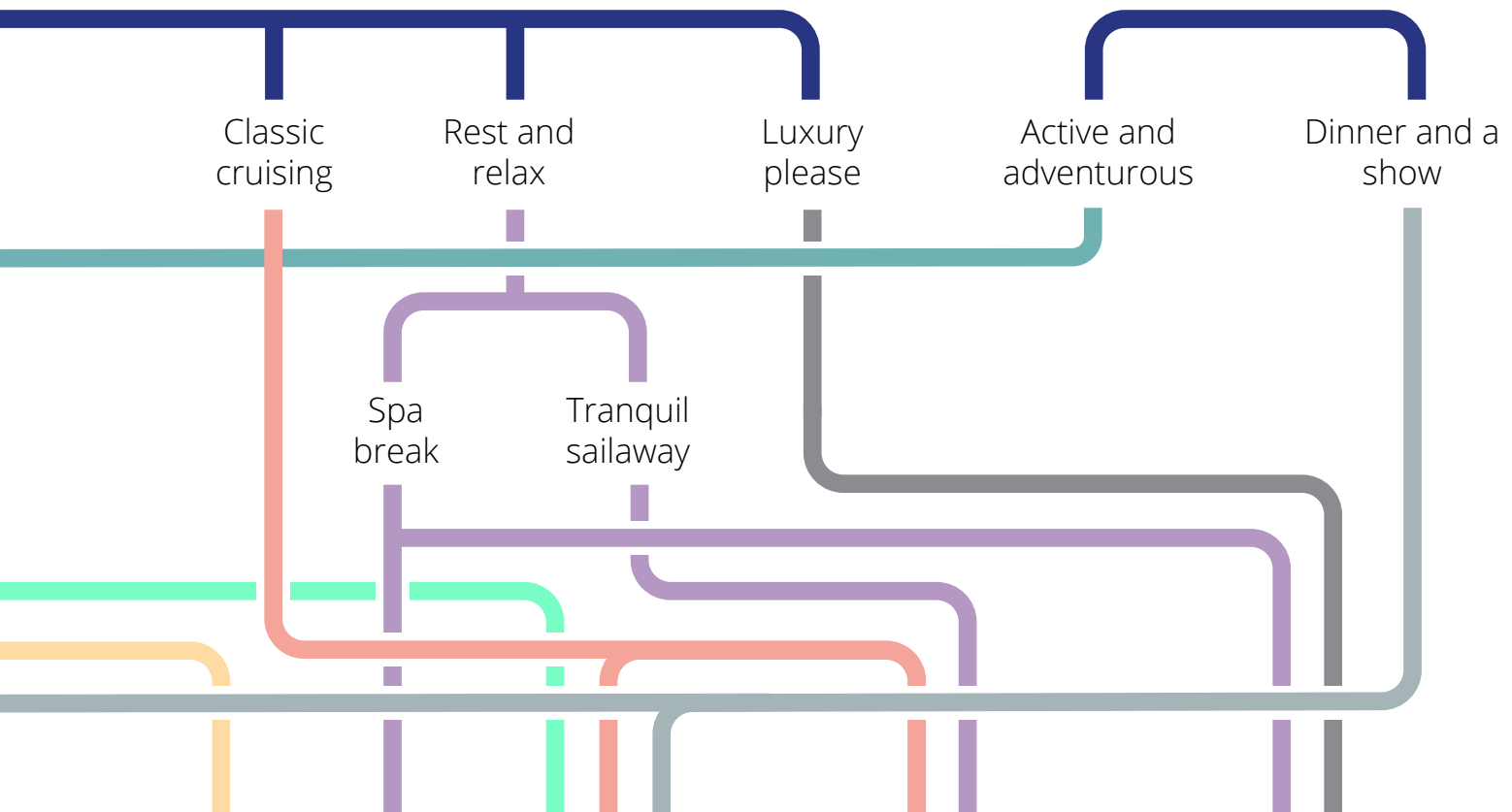


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A LOOK INSIDE

Arvia's Grand Atrium

Your first footsteps into Arvia's Excel-class Grand Atrium, with its three luminous floors and open ocean views, will likely be a holiday memory that you'll revisit time and time again. The heartbeat of the sunshine ship: watch and listen in awe as artists and musicians deliver unforgettable performances; try out the mouth-watering array of restaurants or relax in one of the stylish bars and cafés.

Like her sister ship Iona, Arvia's Grand Atrium offers guests incredible dining and entertainment against a jaw-dropping widescreen backdrop of spectacular ocean views. The dramatic space is the epitome of elegance with warm tones, natural materials and beautiful custom-made elements.

By day, it's the perfect meeting point with places to dine, socialise and relax. You could enjoy a speciality coffee and pastry at Vistas Café Bar (and even catch an impromptu performance), try arguably the best burger at sea in The Keel & Cow or pick your spot for relaxed sophistication at The Glass House. Or you might head to Amber Lounge, where you'll be treated to a whole host of live events and entertainment from local buskers and pop-up destination-themed talks to magicians and pianists.

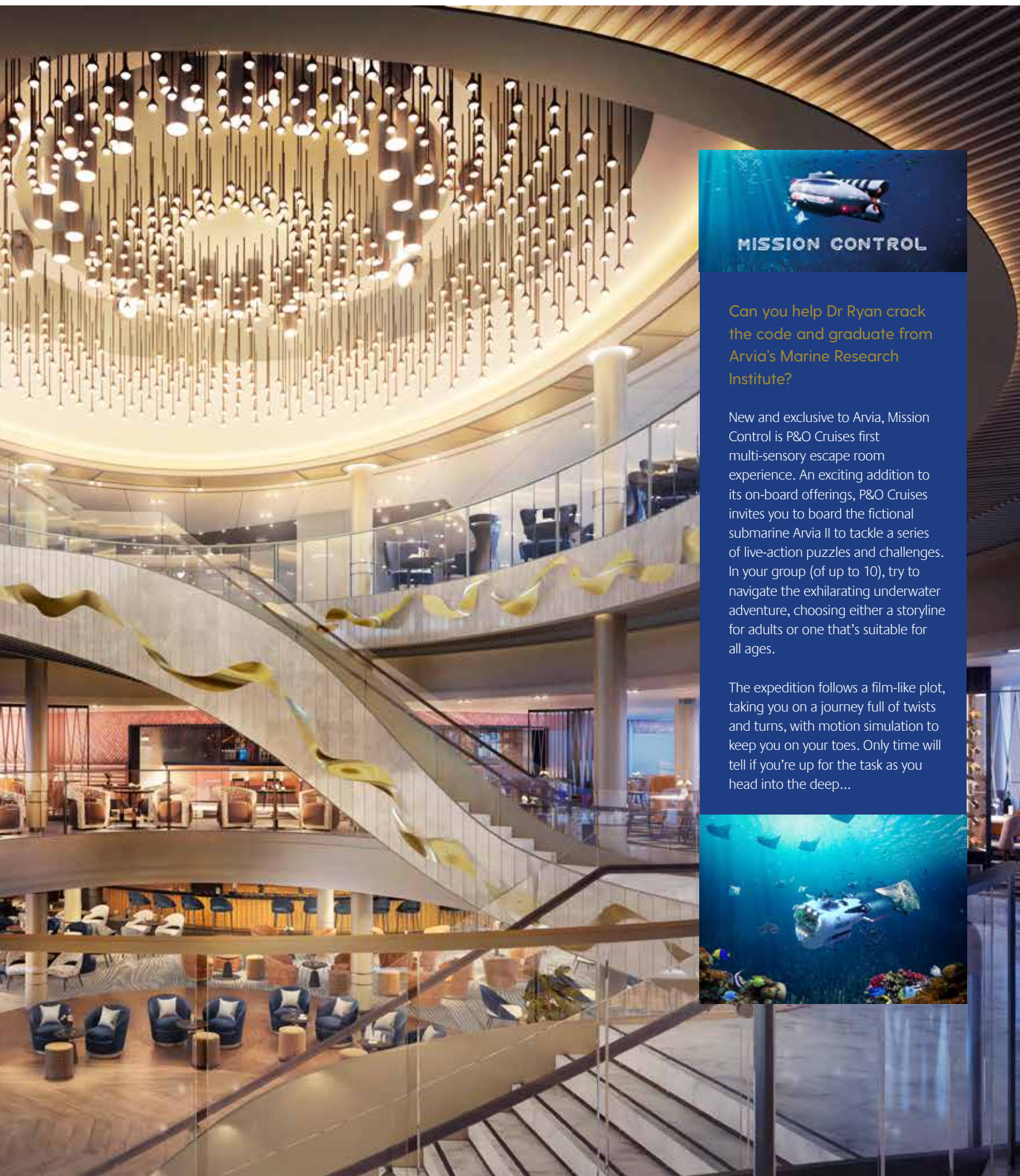
With atmospheric lighting and sound, the space transitions seamlessly into an immersive evening venue that balances intimate spaces with larger sociable areas. Whether you're enjoying a pre- or post-dinner cocktail to live music, enjoying a sumptuous meal or simply catching up with friends, look up through the triple-height space of Arvia's Grand Atrium and admire the champagne-coloured installation that perfectly frames the great staircase – a celebration of curves that captures the movement, freedom and spectacle of the ocean.



Please note that this page shows computer-aided drafts of Arvia's venues for illustrative purposes.



Customers rate P&O Cruises
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Can you help Dr Ryan crack the code and graduate from Arvia's Marine Research Institute?

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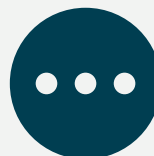
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Norwegian Sun
11 Nights

Departing 21 Jan 2023

Your holiday starts with a night in lovely Lisbon, where you can wander the delightful streets, or catch a tram to see the city the local way. Enjoy a peaceful night at the Hotel Lisboa Plaza before embarking Norwegian Sun for your cruise.

Lisbon, Funchal (Madeira, overnight in port), Tenerife, Lanzarote, Gibraltar, Malaga, Seville, Lisbon

Disembark Norwegian Sun and you'll be transferred to the airport for your return flight to the UK.

Cruise Club fares from PP

INSIDE	£ 1,069
OUTSIDE - WITH LARGE PORTHOLE	£ 1,249
BALCONY	£ 1,549



Big Apple & Bermuda

Norwegian Getaway
9 Nights

Departing 29 Jan 2023

Starting in the city that never sleeps, enjoy three nights exploring all New York has to offer. Staying at the Riu Plaza Times Square, you are in the perfect location to take in all the best sights and sounds of the Big Apple. After your action-packed few days, embark Norwegian Getaway for a relaxing cruise to the sunshine of Bermuda.

New York, Royal Naval Dockyard, Bermuda (overnight in port), New York

Disembark Norwegian Getaway and you'll be transferred to the airport for your overnight return flight to the UK.

Cruise Club fares from PP

INSIDE	£ 1,449
OUTSIDE	£ 1,499
BALCONY	£ 1,599



Escape to the Sunshine

Norwegian Escape
15 Nights

Departing 25 Feb 2023

Spend a week in Orlando, the place where dreams become reality, before joining the Norwegian Escape for a week in the Caribbean. Staying near Universal Orlando Resort, it's up to you which theme parks you want to visit. Will you visit Mickey and the gang, or take a trip to Hogwarts? The choice is yours.

Port Canaveral (Orlando), Puerto Plata, St. Thomas, Tortola, Great Stirrup Cay, Port Canaveral (Orlando)

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Cruise Club fares from PP

INSIDE	£ 2,219
OUTSIDE	£ 2,299
BALCONY	£ 2,399

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Flights from other selected UK airports may be available for a surcharge. Unless stated, hotels are on a room-only basis.

FEATURE

INGER KLEIN THORHAUGE

CAPTAIN OF CUNARD'S QUEEN ANNE

When Cunard's new ship, Queen Anne, embarks on her maiden voyage in January 2024, she will do so with Captain Inger Klein Thorhauge at the helm. Captain Inger has already made her mark during her 25 years with Cunard, becoming the cruise line's first female captain. We caught up with her to discuss her career and what guests can expect from Cunard's fourth Queen.



QUEEN ANNE



WHERE DID YOUR CAREER AS A CAPTAIN BEGIN, AND AT WHAT AGE DID YOU REALISE IT'S WHAT YOU WANTED TO DO?

My time at sea started at the age of 16 on a cargo ship where I was a stewardess - I quickly realised that I really enjoyed the sailing part, but not so much the cleaning! So, I waited to pursue a career at sea and it was then I realised I needed to pick the area I wanted to specialise in. I worked my way up through the ranks, before achieving my Master's licence in 1994. My career as Captain started in 2010 on Queen Victoria, which I was very honoured and proud of.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE PORT OF CALL, AND IS THERE ANYWHERE YOU HAVEN'T PREVIOUSLY SAILED TO THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO VISIT?

I don't really have a favourite port of call - it is more the entire world I enjoy exploring - as each area is so special in its own way. I have been lucky enough to sail around the world several times and by now have explored what I have wanted to see. Now it is time to discover even more of the wonderful locations we visit with Cunard and our guests.

YOU HAVE BEEN WITH CUNARD FOR OVER TWO DECADES, HAVE YOU EVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO CAPTAIN A NEW SHIP BEFORE?

I have not captained a brand-new ship before so this is such a privilege. All the

necessary protocols have to be set up from the start, so there is a lot of work that will need to be done prior to taking Queen Anne on her maiden voyage.

WHICH PART OF QUEEN ANNE ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING FIRST?

The entire ship to be honest. As this is a brand-new ship, all of it will be exciting to see. Like many, I have seen some of the exquisite designs but to see Queen Anne in all her glory and to be one of the first to do so will be a great honour.

WHAT ARE THE FIRST TASKS YOU DO IN THE MORNING AS CAPTAIN?

If it's a day when we are in port, our arrival time will dictate when I wake up. A 6am arrival will usually mean I'm up long before dawn to help navigate the ship through whatever local conditions we face. On a sea day, I'm typically up around 5:30am. I'm always on

the Bridge during arrival and departure from a port, and often on days at sea as well. I will go through all the tracks with the navigator and approve them. The last task I do before I head to bed is check the speed of the ship.

HOW OFTEN DO YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO INTERACT WITH GUESTS?

It's important to remember that the cruise industry is a hospitality business, so I see myself as a host. We generally hold a number of big parties during

our guests' time on board and I walk through the ship once or twice a day. When we're at sea, I will make a midday announcement about our navigational progress and let them know about weather conditions.

For me, hearing guests' feedback that they have enjoyed their experience at the end of their voyage makes me so proud of the entire crew.

WHAT, IN YOUR OPINION, MAKES THE EXPERIENCE OF SAILING WITH CUNARD SO SPECIAL?

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Queen Anne



Queen Anne, Grand Lobby

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Queen Anne (H406)
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Stateroom	Cruise Club Fares from
Inside	£1,286^{pp}
Oceanview	£1,484^{pp}
Balcony (obs*)	£1,682^{pp}

North Cape

Queen Victoria (V315)

12 nights ♦ 6 Jun 2023

Southampton, Haugesund, Leknes (Lofoten Islands), Tromsø, Honningsvåg, Trondheim, Geiranger, Southampton

Stateroom	Cruise Club Fares from
Inside	£1,286^{pp}
Oceanview (obs*)	£1,682^{pp}
Balcony (obs*)	£1,979^{pp}

Iceland & the British Isles

Queen Victoria (V318)

14 nights ♦ 2 Jul 2023

Southampton, Greenock (Glasgow), Stornoway, Lerwick, Akureyri, cruise by Eyjafjörður & Hrísey, Ísafjörður, Reykjavík (overnight in port), Southampton

Stateroom	Cruise Club Fares from
Inside	£1,682^{pp}
Oceanview (obs*)	£1,979^{pp}
Balcony (obs*)	£2,375^{pp}

QUEEN ELIZABETH

QUEEN MARY 2

QUEEN VICTORIA

QUEEN ANNE



Norwegian Fjords

Queen Victoria (V319)

7 nights ♦ 16 Jul 2023

Southampton, Haugesund, Geiranger cruise by Geirangerfjord, Sunnysfjorden & Storfjorden, Olden, cruise by Innvikfjorden & Nordfjord, Bergen, Southampton

Stateroom	Cruise Club Fares from
Inside	£840pp
Oceanview (obs*)	£989pp
Balcony (obs*)	£1,187pp

Norwegian Fjords

Queen Mary 2 (M325)

7 nights ♦ 25 Aug 2023

Southampton, Stavanger, Olden, cruise by Innvikfjorden & Nordfjord, Alesund, Bergen, Southampton

Stateroom	Cruise Club Fares from
Inside	£841pp
Oceanview	£1,088pp
Balcony (obs*)	£1,137pp

Norway & the Northern Lights

Queen Victoria (V329)

12 nights ♦ 27 Oct 2023

Southampton, Alesund, Tromso (overnight in port), Narvik (overnight in port), Haugesund, Southampton

Stateroom	Cruise Club Fares from
Inside	£1,286pp
Oceanview (obs*)	£1,682pp
Balcony	£2,078pp

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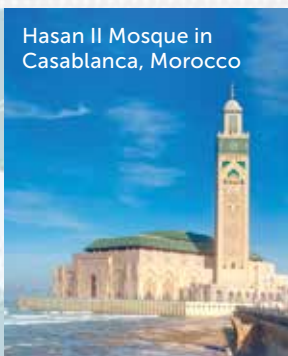
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DISCOVERING CULTURAL MOROCCO WITH THE FLEET IN FUNCHAL

Sail from Dover | 30 October 2023 | 15 nights
Braemar | Cruise code M2327 | From **£2,099pp**



Hasan II Mosque in Casablanca, Morocco



ISLANDS OF THE AZORES, CROSSING THE PATH OF THE SOLAR ECLIPSE

Sail from Southampton | 4 April 2024 | 13 nights
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Ponta Delgada, Azores, Portugal

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ROCKY MOUNTAINEER®

An Unforgettable Rail Journey from Vancouver to Banff

by Product Manager Katie

Every time we sell a Cruise & Stay holiday with a Rocky Mountaineer train journey included in the itinerary, I always get excited, because there is just something so special about this trip. So, when I was given the chance to experience the train for myself, I was absolutely over the moon (or over the mountains, should I say).



GoldLeaf dining carriage



Katie in front of the Rocky Mountaineer Train

I set off to Vancouver, where I would embark the Rocky Mountaineer train on a journey called First Passage to the West. This is certainly one of our most popular itineraries, however, most of our guests take the train in the other direction to end up in Vancouver to board a stunning Alaska cruise.

Vancouver is a beautiful city; they really take pride in the trees and how fresh and alive they keep the surroundings. Vancouver gave a small glimpse of what lay ahead on my journey, because as I looked out past the waterfront, the skyline featured some impressive mountains. There is an activity I would recommend for anyone beginning their Canadian adventure in Vancouver: FlyOver Canada. This is a ride created by the same people who designed Sorin at Disney World, a tame simulator that gives the illusion of flying over the vast Canadian landscapes, and it even features an appearance from the Rocky Mountaineer train itself! I was so impressed that we will be including tickets to this activity on all our Cruise &

Stay packages with a stop in Vancouver.

After a couple of nights exploring the city, it was finally time to board the Rocky Mountaineer train and see what this whole trip was about. My suitcases were collected from my hotel, and I was given luggage tags that would see my luggage through the whole train journey. The next time I saw my bag it was waiting for me in my hotel room in Kamloops.

THE START OF AN ADVENTURE

When I arrived at the Rocky Mountaineer station, the train stood with grandeur. There were red carpets laid at each of the carriage doors, and large flags hung from the train where people were gathering to take photos before boarding. The first thing that struck me was how large the train is; the carriages are mostly two floors with large domed roofs, so they really are massive! When first boarding the train, I was greeted by our carriage attendants and shown to my seat. I was very fortunate to be travelling in GoldLeaf, the upgraded carriage onboard the train. My seat was a large comfy leather seat with electric controls

to recline and adjust its position, but what I wasn't expecting was the additional feature of it being heated!

As the train began to roll away from the station in Vancouver towards our mountainous destinations, the team of train hosts began their work. First up was tea, coffee and croissants served upstairs in our seats as we

became acquainted with the train. Not long afterwards, I was shown downstairs to the dining area. This is where the GoldLeaf service shines brightly; this carriage is split across two floors, with the dining area on a separate floor from my seat. It was good to have different places to go throughout the day, which breaks up the journey nicely.

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Breakfast onboard the train was amazing, and if you see the tiny galleys the chefs work in, you will be more than impressed.

A DAY TO REMEMBER

Breakfast onboard the train was amazing, and if you see the tiny galleys the chefs work in, you will be more than impressed. The dining tables were set up with tablecloths and silverware. The menu had an impressive variety of breakfast options such as eggs benedict, cheese and spinach soufflé,



Rocky Mountaineer train

and pancakes. The service and the quality of the food was faultless, and I would say cruise line quality; this is high praise for me because cruise lines, in my opinion, have the highest standards of food in the travel industry. I couldn't make up my mind between the eggs and the pancakes, so they brought me both - just an example of how attentive the onboard service truly was.

After breakfast, I headed back upstairs to watch the scenery as it began to change. If you are travelling from Vancouver to Banff, you will start in a flatter landscape that develops to become more and more mountainous the further you travel. If you undertake the trip in reverse, you will start in the mountains and journey to the coast. I really loved watching the scenery become more and more dramatic so I would personally recommend taking the route I took, so start with an Alaska cruise then join the Rocky Mountaineer in Vancouver through to Banff and fly home from Calgary.

This goes without saying, but the scenery was just incredible and is what this trip is all about. You are travelling through amazing feats of nature. The train moves slowly; it is not like a commuter train, it takes its time to meander through the mountains. You are completely submerged in the scenery, allowing you to take amazing photos from any angle.

Lunchtime onboard the Rocky Mountaineer is a treat, the food is of a very high standard, with a good variety so there is something for everyone. The lunchtime service is set amongst a now beautiful mountainous backdrop, and I was served bread, followed by a table-shared starter, a la carte mains, and a dessert. I was onboard the train for a whole day, so the lunchtime dinner service in GoldLeaf is a great

opportunity to have a change of scenery, and there is a different, more social atmosphere as people move into the dining area.

Another benefit of the GoldLeaf carriage is the outdoor viewing deck, this was one of my favourite spots on the trip and it's the perfect place to go for photo opportunities. The train came to a stop so that we could wave to another Rocky

Mountaineer train coming in the opposite direction. We were all hanging out of the train ready to wave, and all of the GoldLeaf customers on the other train were out waving at us from their viewing platforms, it was really special.

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You are completely submerged in the scenery, allowing you to take amazing photos from any angle!

A common misconception about Rocky Mountaineer is that you sleep on the trains, but that is not the case. You are only onboard Rocky Mountaineer during daylight hours. The train will stop at specific stations overnight and the passengers are taken to their respective hotels. This whole operation is amazing and Rocky Mountaineer have got it spot on! As I got off the train, I was handed my room key for the evening, took a short coach ride to my hotel, and went straight to my room to find my luggage was there waiting. The next morning, half an hour or so before I set off for the train, somebody came along to collect my bag and take it to the next hotel.

The two days onboard the train were perfect for me. I watched as the mountains became larger and larger and the landscape became increasingly vast. I saw waterfalls, rivers, rapids, glaciers, mighty birds, reindeer and even a bear! I honestly could go on about how amazing it all looked, but it is definitely one of those things you do have to see in person to get the full impact.



Lake Louise



GoldLeaf service



ROCKY MOUNTAINEER®

ENDING ON A HIGH

Finishing in Banff was a highlight of the trip, I absolutely loved it. Standing on Banff high street, and looking to each end, it is just perfectly framed by two giant mountains. The town has a ski town vibe with cosy firepits and wooden lodges. Banff is just a short drive from Lake Louise, which is a complete must-visit. Lake Louise is one of the most photographed landmarks in Canada because it is just so beautiful. Lakes in Canada are absolutely nothing like lakes in the UK - they are humongous. The most iconic thing about Lake Louise becomes apparent while I was still onboard the train and approached Banff National Park - the water became a bright, beautiful turquoise blue.

Before I set off on the Rocky Mountaineer, so many people referred to it as a bucket list trip. So, is this a trip that I think you need to add to your bucket list? Absolutely! If you are an adventurer, explorer, if you love nature and scenery, then this is a fabulous way of exploring a breathtaking part of the world.

GoldLeaf carriage



Rocky Mountaineer





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Experience



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breakfasts & lunches



1-night stay at a 4* hotel
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Canadian Lodge, Banff



Banff
Gondola ride

Your Itinerary

DAY 1 UK

Fly from the UK to Vancouver. On arrival, take your private transfer to the five-star Fairmont Waterfront for a two-night stay.

DAY 2 VANCOUVER

Grouse Mountain & Capilano Bridge tour

DAY 3 VANCOUVER

Enjoy a FlyOver Canada Experience before taking a short walk to the port and embark Cunard Queen Elizabeth for your 10-night Alaska cruise. Depart Vancouver.

DAY 5 SITKA

DAY 6 SKAGWAY

DAY 7 HUBBARD GLACIER

DAY 8 JUNEAU

DAY 9 ICY STRAIT POINT

DAY 10 GLACIER BAY

DAY 11 KETCHIKAN

DAY 13 VANCOUVER

Disembark Queen Elizabeth and take a short walk to the five-star Fairmont Waterfront for a one-night stay.

DAY 14 VANCOUVER - KAMLOOPS

Transfer to the station to embark Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf for your breathtaking journey to Kamloops. On arrival in Kamloops, disembark Rocky Mountaineer and transfer to your hotel for a one-night stay.

DAY 15 KAMLOOPS - BANFF

Transfer to the station and embark Rocky Mountaineer GoldLeaf for your scenic journey to Banff. On arrival in Banff, transfer to the Royal Canadian Lodge for a two-night stay.

DAY 16 BANFF

Banff Gondola ride.

DAY 17 BANFF

Take your private transfer to the airport for your overnight flight to the UK.

DAY 18 UK

Arrive in the UK.

Intermittent cruise days are at sea.

Date	Inside pp	Oceanview (obs) pp	Balcony pp	Princess Grill pp
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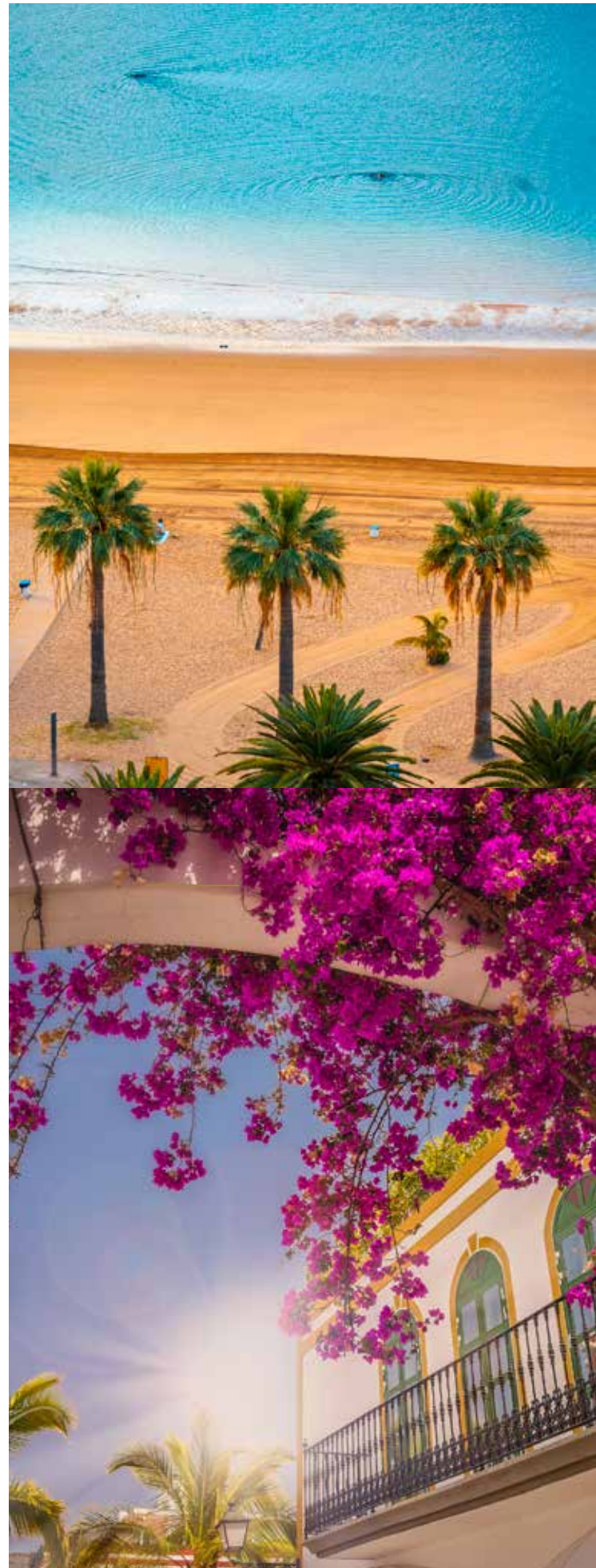
Can't wait to be lying on warm sands, soaking up the sun? Want to maximise your time in beautiful destinations? We may have the perfect holiday for you. With a P&O Cruises fly-cruise you have the chance to jet straight to the heart of the Canary Islands and kick off your adventure in the colourful island of Tenerife.

You'll touch down after only a four-hour flight, ready for a relaxing winter-sun escape on board Azura. With sunshine and smiles all year round in this tropical region, why not set out on a week or two's adventure around the Canary Islands?

The Canaries provide an exotic mix of intriguing local culture, lush landscapes and beautiful beaches to stretch out on and relax. With so many choices calling your name, you could find yourself exploring whitewashed villages, walking in emerald gardens, admiring Canarian artworks or zooming downhill on a toboggan. With overnight calls to Tenerife and evenings in port at Madeira and Gran Canaria on many P&O Cruises holidays, you can immerse yourself in these destinations and see how they change throughout the day to dusk.

Azura is the perfect ship to explore this sun-drenched region, with entertainment for all ages, your pick of four swimming pools, relaxation for adults at The Retreat alfresco spa terrace and movie nights under balmy skies at SeaScreen, the ship's own open-air cinema.

P&O Cruises is offering Canary Islands fly-cruises
itineraries, ranging from seven to 27 nights, on Azura from
October 2022 to March 2023 and October 2023 to March 2024.





Top 5 reasons to book a P&O Cruises Canary Islands fly-cruise

The perfect combination

Offering a great balance of days ashore and at sea, P&O Cruises holidays give you the chance to explore the diverse islands as well as the decks of Azura.

Immersion

There's so much to see and, with a fly-cruise, you've got more time to explore amazing places than you may have thought possible. Arrive much sooner and delve straight into beaches, culture, sightseeing or wherever your adventure takes you.

Flexibility

With the pick of a week of warm winter sun or a longer holiday in the spring, P&O Cruises offers a range of adventures from seven nights to longer durations. You'll be sure to find an itinerary that suits you.

It's all included

P&O Cruises packages include flights and transfers, making your planning easier. If you need a little extra legroom, you can upgrade for a supplement on selected flights.

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St. John's Co-Cathedral

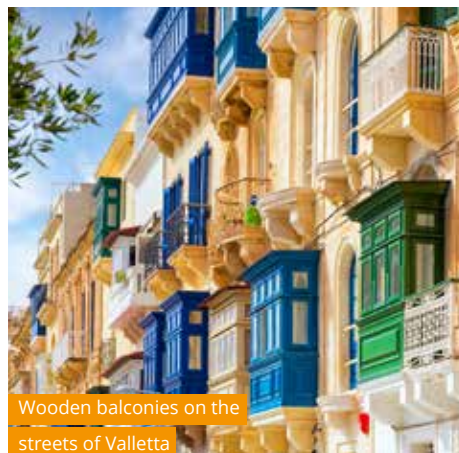


HOURS In Valletta

Valletta is one of the most concentrated historic areas in the world, but what it lacks in miles it more than makes up for in other ways. Wedged between two of the Mediterranean's finest natural harbours, this city has acted as a stand-in for the likes of Istanbul and Rome in Hollywood films. But these days, the Maltese capital has a starring role of its own, taking centre stage on many a holiday itinerary after being named the 2018 European Capital of Culture.



Narrow street in city
centre of Valletta



Wooden balconies on the
streets of Valletta



Horse carriage waiting for a city tour



Lower Barrakka Garden
in Valletta



Upper Barrakka Gardens

Despite its size, Valletta has always been the overprotective one amongst its Mediterranean neighbours. A strategic position has made it invaluable for warding off invaders and, while these days might have long since passed, this small but oh-so-mighty city still affords the perfect views over the glittering seas. Luckily for holidaymakers, there's no shortage of places to stand and take stock.

Upper Barrakka Gardens is the ideal location to get that real 'I'm on holiday' feeling. You've two options here, either ascend on foot, or if you'd rather reserve your energy for taking on the rest of the city, there's also a lift that will do the job in a mere 25 seconds ... but who's counting?

Once you're on the upper level, peer over the edge where you'll see a canon-lined promenade standing to attention. It's from here that a salute resonates throughout the city at noon, which used to serve as a reminder to the local people that it was, in fact, midday. It's a tradition that still exists and, if you happen to forget about it, it'll soon startle you into realising that lunch isn't too far away.

If your appetite for stunning views hasn't quite been satisfied, a trip to Fort St.

Elmo will do the trick. Located right at the tip of Valletta, it once held military significance - today, it's a must-see for history buffs and a mecca for anyone who loves a darn good view.

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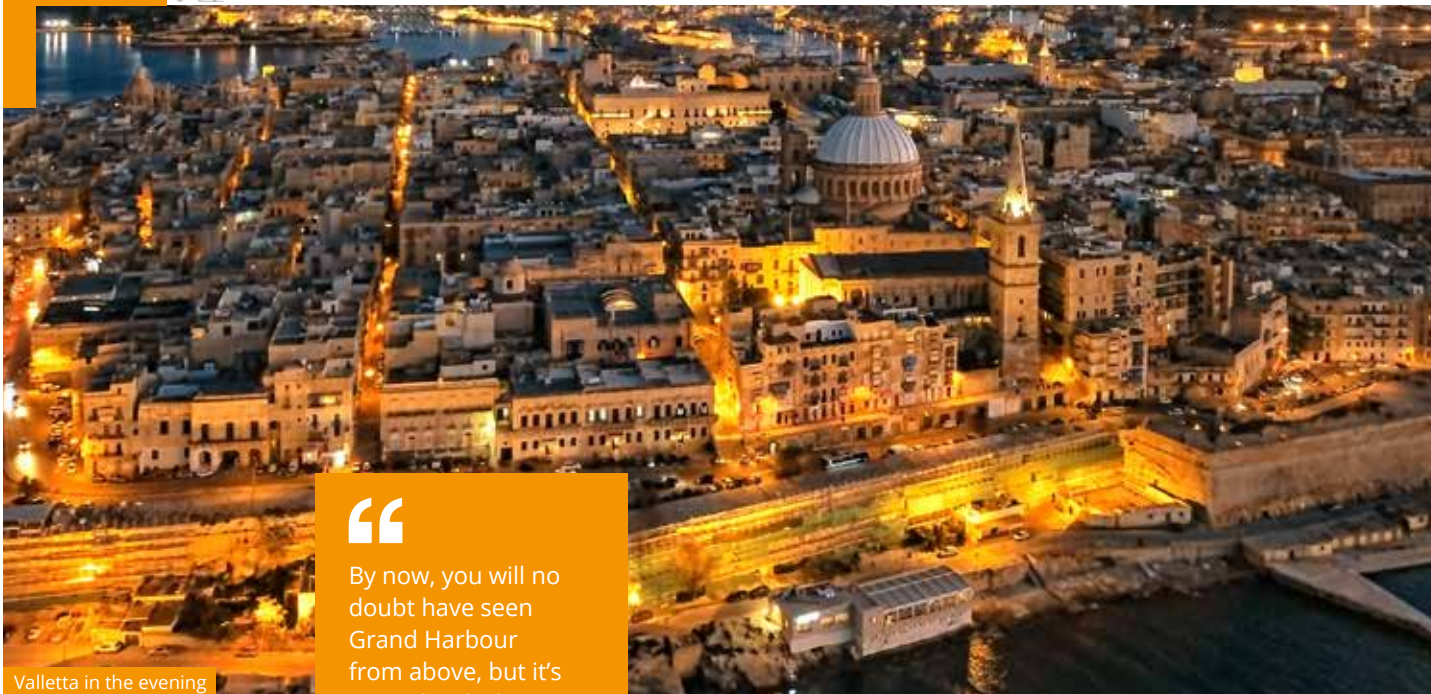
City planners of centuries past did tourists a real favour by laying out Valletta in a helpful grid system. Delve further into the city, where you will soon notice the streets start to become that little bit steeper; once a ploy to make it difficult for attacking soldiers to manoeuvre with their heavy armour,

for the modern-day tourist, these deep steps are now more of a help than a hindrance. Make your way up and appreciate how far you've come - it's an excellent excuse for a photo opportunity and, if you're fortunate enough to have picked one with a bar at the top, a well-earned rest.

Fort St. Elmo



Valletta

FROM
BELOW

Valletta in the evening

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By now, you will no doubt have seen Grand Harbour from above, but it's at sea level where a truly Maltese experience awaits.

Valletta is one of those cities that is best explored on foot. Marvel at cobbled streets lined with butterscotch buildings that glow in the Mediterranean sun, and the ruby red post boxes that almost make you feel you're not too far away from home. However, as the sun beats down practically all-year round, those British shores will soon seem a distant memory.

This is a true time capsule of a city, and The Malta Experience does a pretty good job explaining why.

The whistle-stop tour will sum up the archipelago's 7,000-year existence in a mere 45 minutes, which is impressive by any standards. With a head full of historical facts, you'll be able to leave the audio-visual spectacular with all the knowledge you need to sightsee in style.

By now, you will no doubt have seen Grand Harbour from above, but it's at sea level where a truly Maltese experience awaits. Head shoreside where you will find dghajsa, colourful, traditional wooden fishing boats that are becoming increasingly hard to come by. If you're lucky enough to find one, ask a friendly captain to transport you across the glassy waters for an entirely new perspective on Valletta.

If your city break wouldn't be complete without a camera roll full of incredible architecture, you can't go far wrong at St John's Co-Cathedral. The gold-gilded walls are an attraction in their own right and every square inch of the place is adorned with magnificence - but it's one of Caravaggio's most famous artworks, the Beheading of St. John the Baptist, that draws in the crowds.



St. John's Co-Cathedral



Pinto Wharf, Valletta

EAT
UP,
DRINK
UP



Maltese pastizzi

Authentic Maltese food is generous and rustic, serving up the perfect excuse for visitors to dine like their hosts. The region's cuisine is as wonderfully diverse as its history, picking some of the finer parts from a tapestry of culinary delights.

Lampuki pie is one of the more traditional fares, providing a nod to truly British tastes in the form of a pie, dashed with Arabic flavours such as mint and raisins, topped off with olives and capers for an Italian flair. Eagle-eyed foodies won't find it hard to locate a lampuki pie, but few places do it with quite as much gusto as Rubino. Since opening its doors in 1906, it's

one of Valletta's oldest eateries, so you can bet your bottom euro they know what they're doing.

Billed as Malta's favourite street food, you should also point your culinary compass towards pastizzi. These flaky, diamond-shaped pastry delights are usually stuffed with mushy peas or ricotta and can ward off even the sharpest of hunger pangs. You'll find the best served fresh from hole-in-the-wall type establishments - follow your nose and head towards Merchants Street for some of the tastiest around. We won't claim it's the healthiest of snacks, but hey, you're on holiday.

Malta might not be considered one of the big guns of the European winemaking scene, but its offerings are not to be underrated. With a wine-producing history that spans over 3,000 years, they've had plenty of time

to perfect their vintages. Gellewza grapes produce subtle reds you're most likely to encounter in sparkling wines, while the girgentina variety creates whites that will go down only too well in the hot summer sunshine.

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During your time in Valletta, there's every chance you will come across a sun-bleached pub parasol adorned with a Cisk lager logo. We'll level with you, it's on par with any other Mediterranean lager you're ever going to try. But, as the sun beats down on the historic streets and you rest

your legs for an hour or so, the crisp, effervescent nectar will seem like the best thing in the world. And who are we to argue with that.



People enjoying the sunshine in Valletta

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Azura

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Other airports may be available at a supplement.





Orient Express with Six-Star Croatian Escape

Silver Nova | 11 Nights | Departing 10 Aug 2023

When only travelling in ultimate luxury will do, this itinerary ticks all the boxes. Embark on the iconic Venice Simplon-Orient-Express, where you'll be treated to exquisite service and rolling views as you travel to Venice. During your three nights in the city, you will be able to explore at your own pace before setting sail on your six-star ship, *Silver Nova*, to experience the best of Croatia and Montenegro.



What's included

 Venice Simplon-Orient-Express London to Venice	 3-night stay at a 5★ hotel in Venice	 7-night Croatia cruise on <i>Silver Nova</i> with complimentary shore excursions included	 Inbound flight & private transfers
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Date	Classic Veranda pp	Deluxe Veranda pp	Medallion Suite pp
10 Aug 2023	£9,399	£9,799	£11,999

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Your Itinerary

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DAY 2 VENICE: On arrival, take your private transfer to your five-star hotel for a three-night stay.

DAY 5 VENICE: Take your transfer to the port and embark *Silver Nova* for a seven-night cruise with complimentary shore excursions included. Depart Venice.

DAY 6 PIRAN

DAY 7 ZADAR

DAY 8 DUBROVNIK

DAY 9 KOTOR

DAY 10 SPLIT

DAY 11 ROVINJ

DAY 12 VENICE: Disembark *Silver Nova* and take your transfer to the airport for your return flight to the UK.




Rhythm of the Caribbean

Silver Nova | 15 Nights | Departing 1 Mar 2024

If there's one place that will get you in the mood for your Caribbean adventure, it's Barbados. With four nights to indulge, spend your time relaxing on the beach or get swept up in the atmosphere, you choose! Then the six-star opulence of *Silver Nova* awaits; you will travel across the Caribbean for 10 nights, exploring each island and its individual personality in complete style.



What's included

 Return flights & private transfers	 4-night stay at a 5★ all-inclusive hotel in Barbados	 10-night Caribbean cruise on <i>Silver Nova</i> including complimentary shore excursions
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Date	Classic Veranda pp	Superior Veranda pp	Deluxe Veranda pp
1 Mar 2024	£7,599	£7,699	£7,899

From

£7,599 pp

Your Itinerary

DAY 1 UK: Fly from the UK to Barbados. On arrival, take your private transfer to your five-star all-inclusive hotel for a four-night stay.

DAY 5 BARBADOS: Take your private transfer to the port and embark *Silver Nova* for your 10-night cruise with complimentary shore excursions included. Depart Barbados.

DAY 6 BEQUIA

DAY 7 ST. LUCIA

DAY 8 ROSEAU

DAY 9 ST. JOHN'S

DAY 10 ST. KITTS

DAY 11 VIRGIN GORDA

DAY 12 SAN JUAN

DAY 15 FORT LAUDERDALE

Disembark *Silver Nova* and take your private transfer to the airport for your overnight return flight to the UK.

DAY 16 UK

Arrive in the UK.

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Niagara Falls

Cunard Queen Mary 2 | 13 Nights | Departing 20 May, 1 Jul, 12 Aug, 5 Sep, 7 Oct 2023

This itinerary is as iconic as they come. Marvel at the natural splendour of the Niagara Falls from every angle; not only is your hotel perfectly placed for spectacular views, but you'll also get a bird's eye view on an unmissable helicopter tour. Then it's time to relocate to New York, where the entire city will be at your feet. Catch a Broadway show or chill out in Central Park - you've got three nights to take in all the sights.

Once on board Queen Mary 2, you will be treated to a transatlantic crossing complete with Cunard's White Star service. Do as much or as little as you please, you have seven nights to unwind as you set sail for Southampton.


What's Included

 Outbound flight & selected private transfers

 3-night stay at 4★ Sheraton on the Falls hotel, in a Falls View room

 Ultimate Niagara Falls tour with helicopter ride

 Maple Leaf Amtrak train to New York

 3-night stay at a 4★ central New York hotel


 7-night eastbound transatlantic on Queen Mary 2

SHERATON FALLS VIEW HOTEL
You won't be far from the action in this Niagara Falls hotel, located right on the edge of this iconic natural attraction. Following a recent multi-million dollar renovation, you can see the Falls from the rooftop pool and bar, or relax in its number one-rated spa. You'll also have stunning views from your room, which boasts floor-to-ceiling windows.

NIAGARA FALLS HELICOPTER EXPERIENCE
Experience the thrill of a lifetime on your helicopter tour. Make sure you have your camera at the ready as you soar high above Niagara Falls, before reflecting on your adventure over your included lunch.



DAY 1 UK
Fly from the UK to Toronto. On arrival, take your private transfer to the Sheraton on the Falls hotel for a three-night stay in a Falls View room.
DAY 3 NIAGARA FALLS
Enjoy an ultimate Niagara Falls experience with helicopter ride and lunch.
DAY 4 NIAGARA FALLS TO NEW YORK
Make your way to the station for your train to New York. On arrival, travel to your four-star hotel for a three-night stay.
DAY 7 NEW YORK
Take your private transfer to the port and embark Queen Mary 2 for your seven-night transatlantic crossing. Depart New York.
DAY 14 SOUTHAMPTON
Disembark Queen Mary 2.

 **NEW YORK**
This is a city that requires very little introduction! There's so much to see and do that your days in New York are guaranteed to be action-packed. From the panoramic views from the Top of the Rock, watching the world pass by as you sip coffee in Central Park, to wandering around museums, your feet really won't hit the ground.

Date	Inside pp	Oceanview pp	Balcony (obs) pp	Princess Grill pp
20 May 2023	£2,699	£2,999	£3,099	£4,759
1 Jul 2023	£2,949	£3,259	£3,349	£5,099
12 Aug 2023	£3,549	£3,849	£3,949	£5,699
5 Sep 2023	£2,849	£3,149	£3,199	£4,749
7 Oct 2023	£2,799	£3,099	£3,149	£4,769

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**Celebrity Solstice | 20 Nights | Departing 28 Oct,
22 Nov, 16 Dec 2023, 9 Jan, 2 Feb 2024**

Asia has its fair share of compelling cities. Start your adventure in the high-octane Ho Chi Minh City, where you'll visit the Cu Chi Tunnels and embark on a Mekong Discovery tour. You will then relocate to spectacular Singapore where, during your two-night stay, you can explore at your own pace. Grab some street food or enjoy amazing views from the Singapore Flyer - the opportunities are endless!

Your Asian exploration cruise is then underway where, from the comfort of Celebrity Solstice, you will have a true taste of everything Asia has to offer. From the bustling streets of Bangkok to the emerald waters of Halong Bay, encounter some of the most iconic locations in this part of the world before finishing your journey in Hong Kong.

What's Included

Return flights & private transfers

3-night stay at a 4★ hotel in Ho Chi Minh City

Cu Chi Tunnels tour

Mekong Discovery tour

Flight to Singapore

2-night stay at a 4★ hotel in Singapore

13-night Asia cruise on Celebrity Solstice including drinks, tips & Wi-Fi

Cu Chi Tunnels

Cu Chi Tunnels is an amazing complex of underground tunnels used during the Vietnam War as a base for which the Viet Cong could operate. Your guide will tell you all the stories of this maze-like hideaway as you make your way through the tunnels.



Mekong Discovery

Escape the city to enjoy a trip along the Mekong Delta. Cruise the Mekong River by traditional boat, visiting local villages to learn more about lifestyles, cultures and customs of those who call the delta home. You'll also get a taste for coconut candies, visit a bee farm and sample local cuisine.

Date	Interior pp	Ocean View pp	Balcony pp
28 Oct 2023	£3,699	£3,899	£4,199
22 Nov 2023	£3,499	£3,749	£4,049
16 Dec 2023	£4,699	£4,999	£5,449
9 Jan 2024	£3,699	£3,949	£4,249
2 Feb 2024	£3,599	£3,799	£4,099

Your Itinerary

DAY 1 UK

Fly overnight from the UK to Ho Chi Minh City.

DAY 2 HO CHI MINH CITY

On arrival, take your private transfer to your four-star hotel for a three-night stay.

DAY 3 HO CHI MINH CITY

Half day Cu Chi Tunnels tour.

DAY 4 HO CHI MINH CITY

Full day Mekong Discovery tour.

DAY 5 HO CHI MINH CITY

Take your private transfer to the airport for your flight to Singapore. On arrival, take your private transfer to your four-star hotel for a two-night stay.

DAY 6 SINGAPORE

Enjoy a free day in Singapore to explore at your leisure.

DAY 7 SINGAPORE

Take your private transfer to the port and embark Celebrity Solstice for your 13-night Asia cruise, including drinks, tips & Wi-Fi. Depart Singapore.

DAY 10 KO SAMUI

DAY 11 - 12 BANGKOK (LAEM CHABANG, OVERNIGHT IN PORT)

DAY 14 HO CHI MINH CITY (PHU MY)

DAY 15 NHA TRANG

DAY 16 HUE/DA NANG (CHAN MAY)

DAY 17 - 18 HANOI (HALONG BAY, OVERNIGHT IN PORT)

DAY 20 HONG KONG

Disembark Celebrity Solstice and take your private transfer to the airport for your return overnight flight to the UK.

DAY 21

Arrive in the UK.

Intermittent cruise days are at sea.

Itinerary may vary depending on departure date.

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Drinks, Tips & Wi-Fi Included.

Celebrity Equinox | 13 Nights | Departing 10 Dec 2022, 28 Jan, 25 Feb & 25 Mar 2023

The Caribbean is calling, and you will be escaping to sunnier shores this winter on this ultimate getaway. Starting with two nights at a beachfront hotel in Miami, you're in the perfect spot to enjoy both beach and city vibes. You'll then step aboard Celebrity Equinox, for 10 nights of all-inclusive modern luxury cruising, taking in our Caribbean favourites such as St. Kitts and Antigua. Explore these laidback islands further with your choice of two free excursions. From island tours to beach BBQs, whichever you choose you'll be sure to make the most of your time ashore.

What's Included



Return flights & private transfers



2-night stay at a 4★ beachfront hotel in Miami (B&B)



10-night all-inclusive cruise on Celebrity Equinox including drinks, tips & Wi-Fi

Choose from two of six FREE shore excursions in Martinique, Antigua and St. Kitts

ANTIGUA PANORAMIC TOUR

Take in the highlights of Antigua on this panoramic tour. You will visit St John's cathedral which sits on top of a coral reef, take in the beautiful views of Guadeloupe and Montserrat on the distant horizon. Finally, end in historic English Harbour with included admission to Nelson's Dockyard.

ST. KITTS PANORAMIC & BEACH

Discover the beautiful town of Basseterre with your native guide. You will stop at stunning vantage points for photos and visit the island's most popular attractions including Berkeley Memorial, The Circus, Bloody Point and Romney Manor. Finish the tour with a stop at Carambola Beach Club where you can enjoy lunch and a swim in the crystal-clear waters.

MARTINIQUE PANORAMIC ISLAND TOUR

This jam-packed tour of the north of the island will take in a city walk through Fort-de-France, followed by rainforest roads and waterfall stops. You'll see banana and sugar cane plantations and visit the Depaz Distillery. Witness the ruins of Saint-Pierre and finish your day with locally made ice cream.

ANTIGUA CANOPY ZIPLINE & BEACH BBQ

Set out on this exhilarating zipline tour soaring high up through the Antiguan rainforest. Afterwards, continue on to Turners Bay, a beautiful white sand beach where a delicious BBQ awaits.

ST. KITTS RAINFOREST HIKE

Hike this beautiful island's mountain forest and take in a cultural site. In this place of rare beauty and rich biodiversity, you will walk through the rainforest immersing yourself in a landscape alive with plants and incredible wildlife. A picnic lunch is included.

BEST OF MARTINIQUE CULINARY WALKING TOUR

Known for its diverse culture, Martinique is the epitome of the finest culinary techniques and profiles coming together for a truly tantalising experience. You'll visit five different locations to satisfy your taste buds and learn about Martinique's unique history.

Your Itinerary

DAY 1 UK

Fly from the UK to Miami. On arrival, take your private transfer to your four-star beachfront hotel for a two-night stay (B&B).

DAY 2 MIAMI

Enjoy free time in Miami.

DAY 3 MIAMI

Take your private transfer to the port and embark Celebrity Equinox for your 10-night Caribbean cruise, including drinks, tips & Wi-Fi. Depart Fort Lauderdale.

DAY 6 ST. KITTS - CHOICE OF EXCURSIONS

DAY 7 GRENADA

DAY 8 MARTINIQUE - CHOICE OF EXCURSIONS

DAY 9 ST. LUCIA

DAY 10 ANTIGUA - CHOICE OF EXCURSIONS

DAY 13 FORT LAUDERDALE

Disembark Celebrity Equinox and take your private transfer to the airport for your return overnight flight to the UK.

DAY 14 UK

Arrive in the UK.

Intermittent cruise days are at sea.

Date	Interior pp	Ocean View pp	Balcony (Obs) pp
10 Dec 2022	£2,719	£2,799	£3,099
28 Jan 2023	£2,399	£2,499	£2,919
25 Feb 2023	£2,559	£2,659	£3,099
25 Mar 2023	£2,759	£2,819	£3,099

Lead package fare based on 28 Jan 2023 Heathrow/Miami BA1528 10:15/16:20, returning 9 Feb 2023 Miami/Heathrow BA206 17:10/06:40+1. Outbound flight operated by American Airlines and inbound flight operated by British Airways.

Other airports may be available at a supplement.



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The Canaries are renowned for their year-round sunshine, so why not set sail for sunnier climes this winter? Azura will be visiting popular destinations and, with extra days in Tenerife, those cold temperatures will feel miles away. These are only suggested itineraries - tailor your own trip to create your ideal Cruise & Stay holiday!

What's Included



Return flights & private transfers



3-night stay at a 4★ all-inclusive hotel in Tenerife



7-night Canary Islands cruise on Azura

Classic Canaries

Your Itinerary A

DAY 1 UK

Fly from the UK to Tenerife. On arrival, take your private transfer to your four-star all-inclusive hotel for a three-night stay.

DAY 4 TENERIFE

Take your private transfer to the port and embark Azura for your seven-night cruise. Enjoy an overnight stay in port.

DAY 5 TENERIFE

DAY 7 FUNCHAL (MADEIRA)

DAY 9 LA PALMA

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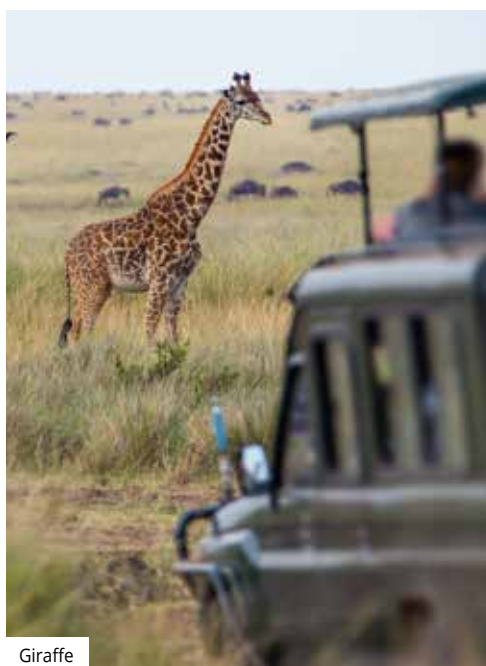
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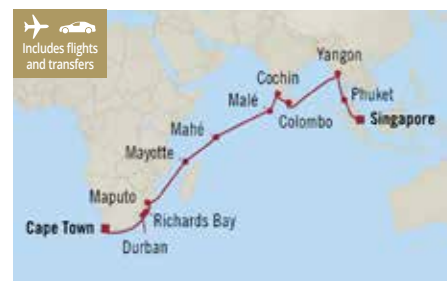
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A Cruise With A VIEW

What is scenic cruising? Emma, Editor of Into The Blue, shares her experiences.

One of the main reasons I love cruising is that it opens up new and exciting travel opportunities that simply aren't possible, or practical, on a land-based holiday. Scenic cruising is a key part of this, and is something I've noticed has crept its way into a growing number of itineraries over the years. But just how valuable is the experience, and is it really worthy of its place on your holiday?

I'll admit that, in the past, I have been as guilty as the next

person of shrugging off scenic cruising as an unimportant part of a cruise. "If it's not a 'proper' port of call then why do they bother putting it on there?" are words many seasoned travellers (myself included) have been known to utter.

However, after having enjoyed two scenic cruising experiences in recent years, I can safely say that both have just as fond a place in my memory as any land-based excursion. Here's why.

Emma visiting Olden on board Iona



How to Identify Scenic Cruising

Scenic cruising isn't some guilty secret that cruise lines attempt to disguise - and nor should they! It will be prominently labelled on your itinerary, and can take on any number of guises, with 'cruise by' and the ever-so-simple 'cruising' followed by the destination name among the most popular.

No matter how your chosen cruise line refers to it, your experience

will be much the same. Scenic cruising, rather helpfully, does precisely as the name suggests - you will sail through spectacular scenery, which you can appreciate from the comfort of your ship without setting foot ashore. It's all about getting a different perspective on the world, and a view of those places that would be near-on impossible to fully

appreciate with your feet firmly on land.

As with any aspect of travelling, scenic cruising is what you make of it. Watch the world go by from the solace of a hot tub, or stand out on the deck with a pair of binoculars to really immerse yourself in your surroundings - it really is up to you!

Cape Horn





Iona in the Norwegian Fjords

My Experience

I've had two quite different experiences of scenic cruising. The first was on board the Princess Cruises ship Emerald Princess, where I sailed from Buenos Aires in Argentina to Santiago, Chile. The scenic cruising element of this trip took us to the Amalia Glacier and Cape Horn, which was complemented by commentary from onboard experts.

The information was as rich as it was varied; we were told about the formation of the Amalia Glacier, the geology of the region in which we were sailing and an overview of its maritime history. The experts were also on hand to tell us about any wildlife we might encounter - and rest assured, we saw our fair share of birds and marine life. Thankfully, they were there to point out anything we might have missed, and identify species as they came into view.

What I'd initially perceived as filler material for our epic South American



Amalia Glacier

journey proved to be one of the highlights of the entire trip - it's fair to say I was sold on scenic cruising!

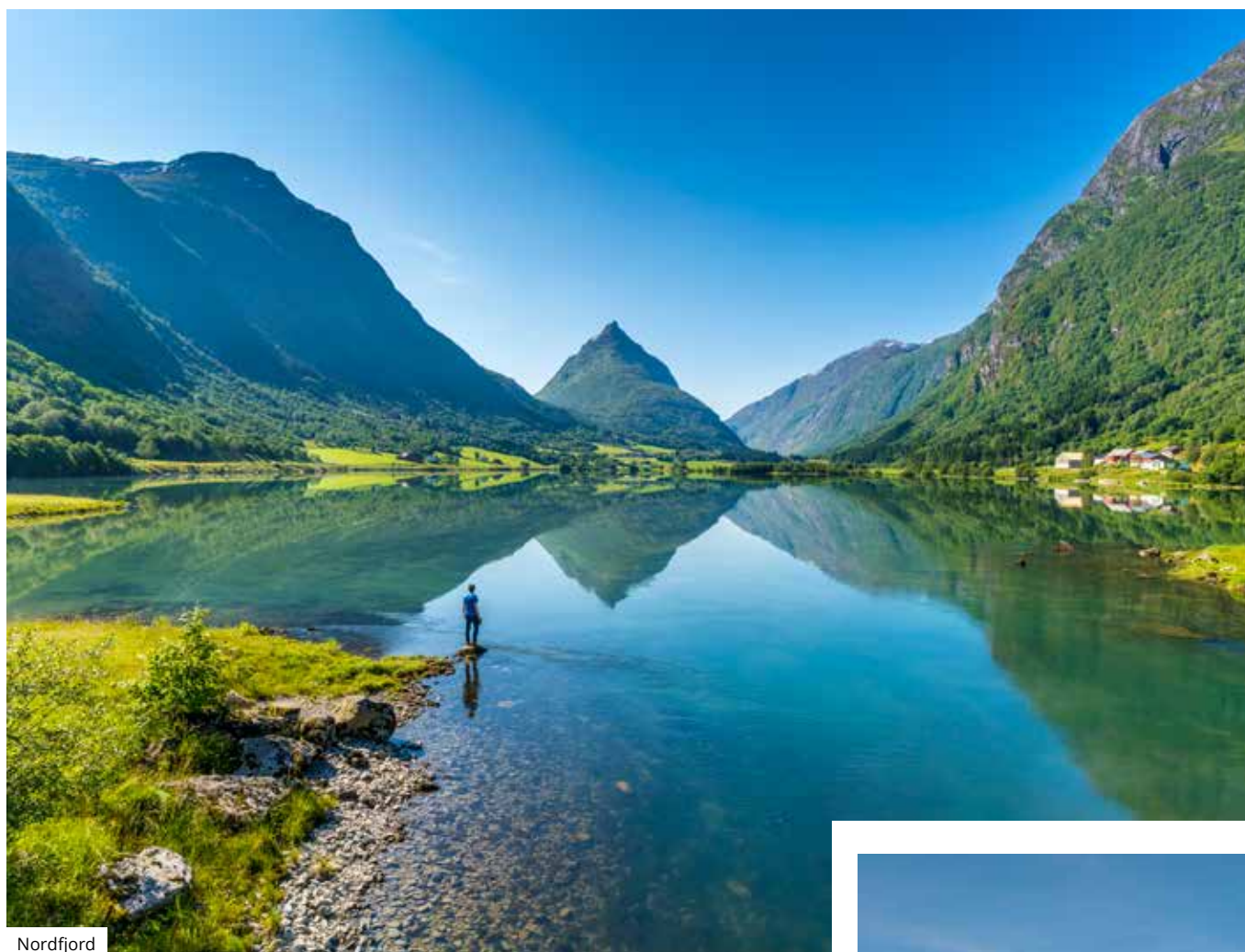
My most recent adventure took me to Norway on P&O Cruises Iona, a ship that has been specifically built for this part of the world. The Norwegian Fjords are the perfect example of the journey being just as important as the destination; while our land-based stops of Stavanger, Alesund, Olden and Haugesund were each endearing in their own right, it was the rolling scenery that really stole the show.

Innvikfjorden and Nordfjord were both



Emma in front of Iona

labelled as 'cruise by' destinations on my itinerary. P&O Cruises invites you to 'see the world in widescreen' while sailing on Iona - and, to be frank, you have little option to see it in any other way! Yes, the atrium is impressive as it is on many other ships I've been on, but the floor-to-ceiling glass windows spanning three decks mean that whatever mountain you're passing, or gorge you sail past, you'll get a crystal-clear view from Iona. One of my highlights was a lunch we enjoyed with an incredible view of the ship's wake in Pearl Restaurant, and one of my personal favourites, the Crow's Nest, certainly



Nordfjord

didn't disappoint as we weaved our way through the Fjords.

As we entered the scenic cruising element of the trip, the expanse of the sea took a sidestep, and allowed the land to take centre stage. Usually, at this point, I would have been marvelling at a shipping trawler bobbing about in the distance, or trying to figure out which landmass glimmered on the horizon, but scenic cruising is all about seeing nature at its best. The rise and fall of the waves are replaced with the calmest of waters inside the Fjord, millpond-like enough to mirror the incredible landscapes.

This particular scenic cruising journey started in Innvikfjorden, a small arm of Nordfjord. Quaint wooden houses clung to the cliffside and the Olden shoreline soon melted into the distance, resembling a watercolour painting as we sailed away. It was the perfect prelude to what awaited us.

Nordfjord has been welcoming cruise ships since the 1880s, and its enduring appeal hasn't waned during this time. From the water that cascaded so fiercely down a cliff face that we could hear it from our cabin, to snow-sprinkled mountains that felt within touching distance, Nordfjord served up its fair share of spectacles.

There were no on-deck announcements during this scenic cruise; instead, I just sat back (this time from the comfort of my balcony) and watched the stunning surroundings float by. For a ship of its size, Iona managed to sail the Fjords with the grace they deserve.

What really struck me about scenic cruising this time around was the silence, which couldn't have been easy to achieve with some 3,600 excitable passengers on board. The only sound was that of Iona creating barely-there ripples, which gently lapped the shoreline as if they



Iona, panorama pool

had all the time in the world, only occasionally interrupted by the roar of a waterfall or melodic birdsong. Most balconies were filled with eagle-eyed cruisers, each pointing out a natural marvel their companion might not have spotted. It was an incredible experience and one I'd recommend to anyone who can't get enough of just sitting back and letting Mother Nature show off a little.

Ambitions for the Future

My appetite for scenic cruising fully awakened, next on my wishlist is Fred. Olsen, which is one cruise line that places considerable emphasis on 'the joy of the journey'. For me, this sums up scenic cruising perfectly and is something they expertly craft into many itineraries.

ORCA team aboard Fred. Olsen

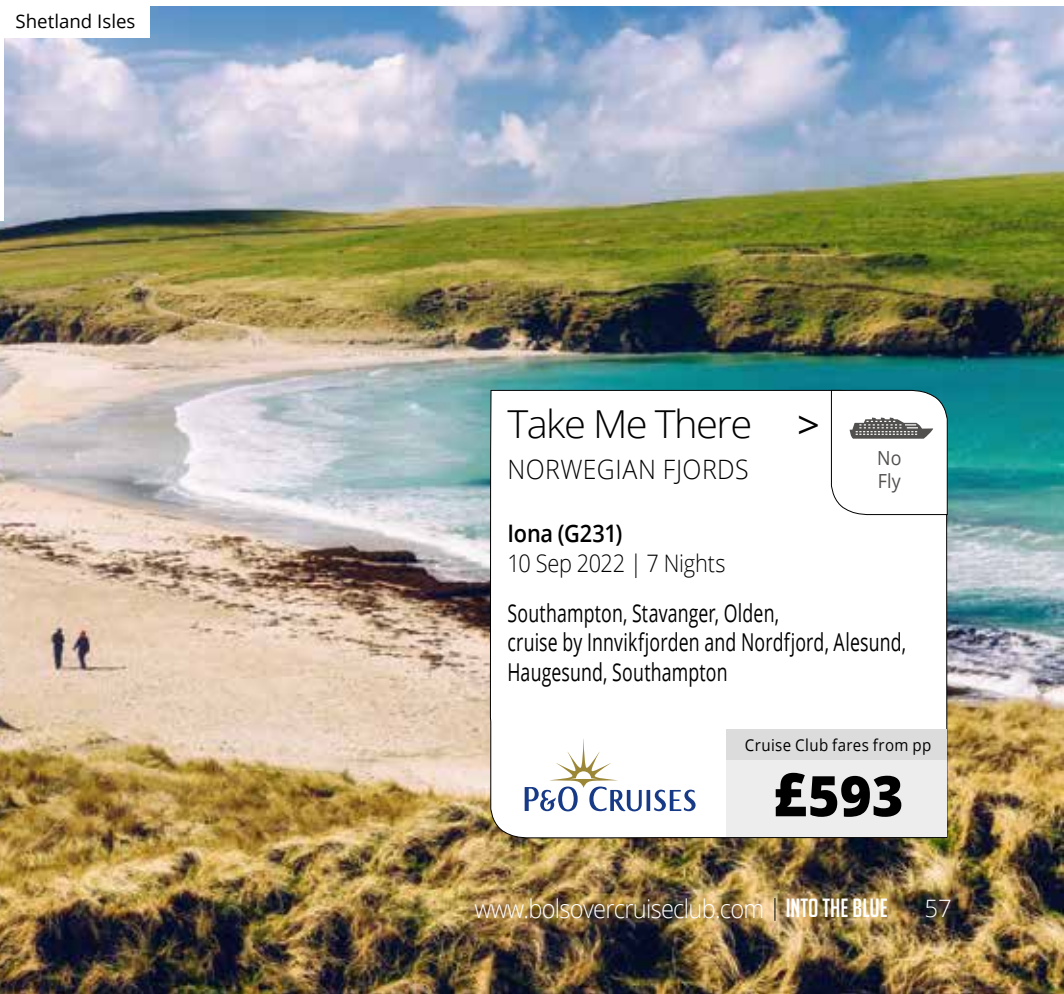


If the past few years have taught us anything, it's how to fully appreciate exactly what's on our doorstep - and what better way to do it than on a scenic cruise? Fred. Olsen encourages exploration of home territories such as the Orkney and Shetland Isles. Marine conservation charity ORCA are on board these particular sailings, helping cruisers spot and identify marine life as they navigate these northern shores.

There's also a scenic Ireland itinerary that's caught my eye, which takes in quintessential Irish vistas. Having already conquered the fjords of Chile and Norway on a scenic cruise, the Irish glacial fjord of Lough Swilly seems the next logical step.

If you haven't yet given scenic cruising a try, I'd highly recommend it. There's nothing finer than sitting back and watching the scenery roll by, without having to so much as lift a finger. I can think of worse ways to spend a holiday.

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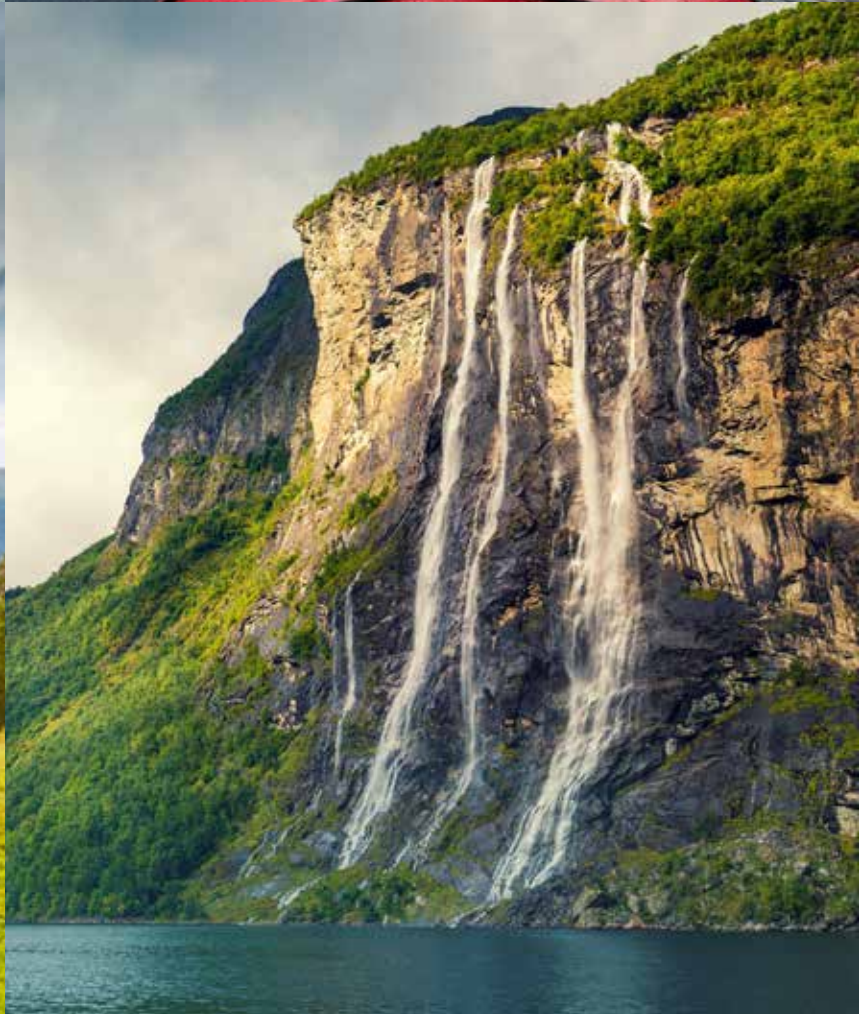
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And P&O Cruises makes exploring the fjords extra special, with a whole host of unforgettable shore experiences to choose from. You could take to the skies in a flightseeing tour of Olden, pass through rocky canyons and rushing waterfalls as you journey

to the Briksdal Glacier or head out on an exhilarating RIB ride to explore deeper waters of the stunning Nordfjord. Each port Iona visits offers a different experience where you can breathe in the fresh air and discover the beauty of the fjords, one destination at a time.

While the region's beauty is a top draw, there's also much more to explore. Culture, history and adrenaline-pumping activities abound for intrepid travellers of all types, from glacier hikes and kayaking to Viking history and unique foodie experiences. The past, present and future often go hand in hand in the charming towns and cities, all of which boast a long seafaring, fishing and trading history. The region is also famed for its great hospitality – you'll be warmly welcomed by proud and friendly locals who are keen to share what their country has to offer.

While on board, enjoy the culinary expertise of P&O Cruises Local Food Hero Kjartan Skjelde, the award-winning Norwegian chef who has opened several restaurants in his hometown of Stavanger. A household name in his country, Kjartan is thrilled to share his love of wild and traditional ingredients from his homeland with Iona's guests. This year, those on board will get to sample Kjartan's six-course Norwegian taster menu in Epicurean on holidays to the fjords.



P&O Cruises is offering seven-night Norwegian Fjords getaways on Iona until September 2022. Her seven-night holidays to the region will begin again from April 2023 to September 2023 and also in April 2024 to September 2024.



ALL ABOARD

Solarium, Royal Caribbean's Wonder of the Seas

Wonder of the Seas - Royal Caribbean

by Joseph, Cruise & Stay Expert

I can't begin to describe the excitement my Bolsover Cruise Club colleagues and I felt as we caught the first glimpse of Wonder of the Seas! As we pulled around Barcelona port, the whole coach marvelled at how incredible the scale of this ship was. As the newest Oasis Class ship from Royal Caribbean, and the largest cruise ship in the world, I had high expectations from Wonder of the Seas - and... WOW! as soon as she came into view, I knew I wasn't going to be disappointed.

Our first stop after embarkation was the Royal Promenade. There's a total of eight neighbourhoods on board, with this being one of them - it's just one of the features that sets Wonder of the Seas apart from other ships. This area is expansive and full of things to see like shops, pubs, Spotlight Karaoke and, most importantly, pizza!

Wonder of the Seas wouldn't be an Oasis Class ship without some extra-special features. A highlight for me was the Bionic Bar, where a robot was on



Joseph, Cruise & Stay Expert

hand to make our drinks. Billed as 'mixology meets technology', you can choose from a list of cocktails or customise your own.

That wasn't the only novelty bar on board. You can also enjoy a drink in a moving bar, known as Rising Tide. It transports you between Royal Promenade and

Central Park, so you can really enjoy skylight views from the heart of the ship.

Next stop was Central Park, another one of the neighbourhoods. This area is open to the fresh air and is lined by restaurants, live plants and trees. It quickly became my favourite area on board as it was always peaceful, especially at night, and a pleasure to walk through. I've seen live gardens on cruise ships before, but had never come across anything quite like this!



We headed to the main dining room for dinner and ...wow! Firstly, the food we had was simply incredible.

There's been no shortage of new ships hitting the ocean waves in recent months. From the world's largest to the first British cruise line in a decade, cruising is well and truly back in business.

Members of our Bolsover Cruise Club team have been lucky enough to experience some of these ships first hand - read on to discover their accounts.



Duck à l'orange

As we were close to our cabin, I thought it best to follow a tradition I have by enjoying an afternoon siesta.

Our balcony cabin was bright, modern, and spacious, making it perfect for the beautiful sunset sailaway.

We headed to the main dining room for dinner and ... wow! Firstly, the food we had was simply incredible. Each course was better than the last, starting with escargot followed by duck à l'orange. Everyone I dined with had brilliant food, and each option on the menu was fantastic.



AquaTheater show



FlowRider



Central Park

I must also say the waiters were the best! Morgan and Rani served us both nights and were exceptional. At our second evening meal, they remembered our drinks order, which kind of wine each of us liked and that I ordered Coca-Cola at the start of the meal. They really made our dining experience each night.

After dinner, we went to the Boardwalk neighbourhood to watch an AquaTheater show. Little did we know that our heart rates would increase because of the stunts on display. The show included Olympic swimmers and acrobats as they jumped from jaw-dropping heights - the mix of music and stunts was like nothing else I've seen at sea.

We were never short of anything to fill our day. From taking a ride on the

merry-go-round to enjoying a very competitive round of mini-golf with the Bolsover Cruise Club team, all the entertainment options on board were incredible. Where else can you zipline through a ship, take the Ultimate Abyss slide down ten decks, surf on FlowRider and get wet in the water park, Wonder Playscape, followed by ice skating?! What I found was that there's something for every generation and type of cruiser.

While on board, we all felt that the service, food, and entertainment was top notch. What really set this ship apart was the unique neighbourhoods, amenities, and thrills to take part in. What Royal Caribbean have created with this new ship is nothing short of astounding - it's truly one of the wonders of the world.

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Celebrity Apex Grand Atrium



Celebrity Beyond - Celebrity Cruises

by Danny, Marketing Manager

Having heard so much about Celebrity Cruises and their Edge® Class ships, to say I was *Beyond* excited would be an understatement!

Still relatively new to cruising, having previously only sailed onboard P&O Cruises Iona and Seabourn Ovation, I was eager to see how Celebrity would compare and seemingly bring the big ship and luxury experiences together.

After a seamless embarkation, my wife and I were eager to set eyes on our much-anticipated infinite veranda stateroom. Whilst my knowledge of design and architecture is limited, I'm familiar with the general concept of trying to bring the outside in ... well, on this front, Celebrity have cracked it - quite literally!

The signature feature of this stateroom is that the veranda area is essentially inside the room, with some simple lightweight room-dividing doors



Danny, Marketing Manager
and wife Amy

to still maintain it as a separate area should you so wish. The real magic happens when you open these dividing doors and, with the simple flick of a switch, lower the top half of the full-width windows to create a glass-fronted balcony ... inside your room! This innovative feature really does change

the whole dynamic and means you're able to enjoy everything from a traditional balcony drink in the sun to a lazy morning in bed taking in all that the ocean has to offer.

Whilst the infinite veranda stole the show in our stateroom, there were a few spaces that did so outside of it as well.

The Grand Plaza really is stunning. It's the perfect place to meet up with others as well as enjoy a pre- or post-meal drink from the Martini Bar,



Main pool deck

complete with its cocktail shaking, table dancing and ever-entertaining bar staff.

If it's a bit of R&R that you crave,

then look no further than the Solarium or main pool deck. The adults-only Solarium is a quiet indoor haven where you're able to relax on a sunbed in the warmth and enjoy a book, or take a dip in the pool and whirlpools. Outside, the pool deck offers a livelier alternative, with a good-sized

pool, cosy cabanas, bar area, music and more sun loungers than you can shake a giant elephant sculpture at!

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The food and entertainment was some of the best I've experienced at sea and the service was as you'd expect: exemplary.



Our other favourite outdoor space was the Rooftop Garden. With cantilevered infinity float pools and a stunning open-plan seating area bursting with greenery and ornamental lighting, we happily soaked up the sun along with the calming sounds of the live band playing at the time.

In the evening, a favourite bar of ours was Eden. This triple-storey, garden-themed bar and restaurant nestles at the back of the ship and is described as a window to the world. This was the perfect place for a pre-dinner gin and tonic, with panoramic views out to sea, and was oddly enough also the scene of our first ever silent disco – an event I would recommend to everyone should they get the chance. It shouldn't work but it does, and was hilarious from start to finish ... or was that just my dancing?

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and the service was as you'd expect: exemplary. The Oceanview Café, Celebrity Cruises' answer to a buffet restaurant, feels like an international culinary marketplace with various stations serving up a smorgasbord of dishes for everyone to enjoy. It was, without a doubt, the best buffet restaurant I've ever eaten at and all enjoyed with stunning views out to sea which were equally as delicious.

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What Celebrity have managed to achieve with this class of ships is something truly impressive. That 'best of both worlds' experience, that often ends up falling short of either, has been carried out to perfection. They've created staterooms so

innovative and comfortable you won't want to leave them, designed spaces and crafted menus that awaken the senses and produced entertainment that will leave your toes tapping long after disembarkation.



Infinite Veranda stateroom



The Rooftop Garden

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Centre Court

Ambience - Ambassador Cruise Line

by Emma, Marketing Copywriter

There's always been something quite special about a British cruise line. Ambassador recently became part of this elite crew as the first to launch since 2010 and their flagship, Ambience, is their 'first lady of the sea'. This 1,400-capacity ship is aimed at the over-50s, no-fly cruise market and promises the warmest of welcomes from the friendliest of crews. Being a fair few years short of this age bracket, I wasn't quite sure what to expect from Ambience - but as the saying goes, age is only a number, and I couldn't wait to experience everything she had to offer.

One of the first things I noticed was the not-so-subtle nods to the London scene throughout the ship. The main atrium is aptly named Centre Court, while SW19 is the perfect place to sip away on an expertly crafted drink - the only thing missing was the strawberries and cream (oh, and the tennis...) One of the real highlights for me was Borough Market; located on deck 12, it's a buffet-style



Emma, Marketing Copywriter

restaurant where there's no such thing as too much choice. Curry, pizza and a good old roast dinner - what more could you want?

Fear not, there's still a formal dining room that serves up some of the finest food I've ever tasted onboard a ship. Buckingham Restaurant is where you'll find traditional cruise ship

styling, attentive service and the more formal dining experience we've all come to know and love.

I am, however, old enough to remember the good old days of the baked Alaska parade, where diners wave perfectly starched napkins in the air as wide-smiled waiters make their way through the maze of the dining room. It's a cruising tradition that has slowly waned over the years, but one that Ambassador have



SW19

been keen to revive - and we, as diners, were only too happy to oblige.

The Observatory Bar at the front of the ship is also well worth a mention.

Ambience's equivalent to the Crow's Nest provides the most spectacular views, plus there's a dancefloor spacious enough to display those questionable dance moves well into the wee hours.

You'll never be short of a lounge to kick back in on board Ambience, and the

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that wouldn't look out of place in an interior design magazine. At the opposite end of the spectrum is Raffles Bar; it's dark and moody and, perhaps unsurprisingly based on name alone, is where I sampled the most magnificent of cocktails.

From the economy of an inside cabin to the spaciousness of a suite, there's accommodation to suit every taste and budget. One thing to bear in mind with Ambience is that she's not a brand-new ship, and was built at a time when smart TVs and keyless entry systems weren't even a thing. If you're all about the gadgets and gizmos then Ambience isn't for you; if you want a cabin that's adequately equipped and will allow you to catch enough shut-eye to conquer your next port of call, she will more than fit the bill. On a practical note,

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You'll never be short of a lounge to kick back in on board Ambience, and the Botanical Lounge was one of my favourites, a bright and airy space that wouldn't look out of place in an interior design magazine.

each cabin is kitted out with three-pin British plug sockets, as well as facilities to make your own tea and coffee.

For a ship of this size, you'd be forgiven for thinking the entertainment on Ambience might not be on such a

grand scale. The aptly named Palladium might not be as big as you'll find on some of the larger ships, but the show I saw perfectly captured all the glitz and glamour of the West End, complete with stunning costumes and pitch-perfect vocals.

Ambience has well and truly found its place in the market, offering

a quintessentially British experience with just enough hints of the modern to make you realise that Ambassador is heading in the right direction.



Palladium



Raffles Bar

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DISCOVERY



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ARRIVE:
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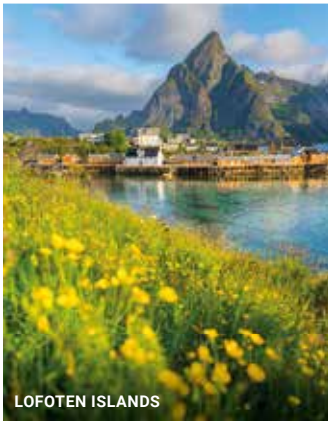


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A First-Timer's RIVER CRUISE

Sam, our Senior Marketing Executive, recently embarked on her first-ever river cruise. With a head full of preconceptions and only ocean cruising to compare it to, we couldn't wait to find out how it fared.

Great Expectations

Let me introduce myself. I'm a 35-year-old wife and mum of two, whose typical holidays have been ocean cruises, as well as the usual family breaks in the UK and overseas. I was recently invited to join MS George Eliot for a seven-night Amsterdam, Cologne and the Best of Holland and the Flanders cruise with Riviera Travel. Before my journey began, I had very mixed ideas of what to expect. The main questions I had were whether I'd fit in with the rest of the passengers (age-wise, I mean) and would I get bored being on a small ship? I also knew how many excursions were included, so didn't know just how hectic the overall experience would be!

However, this apprehension was quickly replaced with excitement. I couldn't wait to see the cabins, sample the food and find out what it was like to sail right into the heart of a destination on a smaller ship.



Outdoor seating



Observation lounge

Sam at the Floriade Expo

Onboard Accommodation

Having stepped on board, been greeted by the crew and received my cabin card from reception, I went straight to take a look at my cabin. I had the privilege of experiencing a standard cabin on Diamond Deck (upper) which had a French balcony, with sliding doors, and the Riviera Plus package that comes with a range of enhancements in your cabin. My jaw dropped as I opened the door - I couldn't believe this was going to be home for a week. I immediately

opened the sliding glass doors to the French balcony, took some pictures and sent them to my husband, saying 'how beautiful is this?' I instantly knew, based on how gorgeous the cabin was, that I was going to love this river cruise.

No matter what cabin or suite you book, you will not be disappointed, as they are all spacious and elegantly decorated. Riviera's style is very

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five-star boutique, with a homely feel. You'll find everything you need from British plug sockets to European ones, plenty of USB ports and all the amenities that are usually a hindrance on your luggage allowance, like a hairdryer and dressing gown. You don't even have to pack the travel kettle, as there are tea and coffee making facilities in your cabin, with all the trimmings.



French balcony



Standard cabin



Standard cabin bathroom

Food, Glorious Food

This is an important and exciting topic that we all have in common. Riviera offers a buffet-style breakfast, with a selection to suit every taste. Enjoy everything from a full English breakfast to smoked salmon bagels, cheeses and fruit.

If you're on the ship for lunch, indulge in exquisite dishes either served from the galley, or buffet style, giving you ample opportunities to sample new foods, I pushed the boat out (pun intended) and sampled a good selection of different dishes. Lastly, evening meals are served from the galley, so sit back, and enjoy an

amazing five-course (minimum) feast. I never had the same meal twice and it became an exciting part of the day seeing what was on the menu.



Restaurant George Eliot



Beef Wellington

Exploring the Ports of Call

Riviera Travel don't believe in you paying a five-star price tag, and not getting a five-star experience, so all excursions and walking tours are included as per their itinerary, with expert local guides. That doesn't mean you have to do every one, you can do as little or as much as you want. For example, in my experience, a lot of fellow guests just chose to walk with the guides into the town in some of the destinations, rather than venture out on their own.

My favourite walking tour was in Rotterdam, I didn't realise it had so much history. I learnt about how the city began, and what they did to re-build it after the bombing in World War II, and saw the new-with-the-old including the Cube Houses - they're definitely an impressive attraction.

On another note, in Arnhem I took advantage of the excursion that took us to Het Loo Palace Gardens which served as the royal family's summer residence. I particularly enjoyed taking photos of the beautiful, well-kept display of flowers and statues with an ice cream in hand!



Cube Houses



Markthal Rotterdam



Cube House



Het Loo Palace Gardens

Dress to Impress?

Casual, comfortable attire is all you'll need on a Riviera river cruise. Yes, that's right. Even at lunch and dinner, sometimes having been out exploring, most fellow guests onboard wore the same outfits they'd been wearing during the day. Riviera want you to feel at home and looked after, so there are no expectations or dictations on what you are expected to wear. I packed a comfortable dress, trousers, and a top, along with sensible shoes. This was also the case for the gents (apart from the dress). And as you may be walking in the day, I'd definitely pack a pair of trainers, and something you'd wear back home.



River Rhine

How My Perceptions Fared

Now seems a good time to address those perceptions I had before I set off on my cruise. Upon arrival into Amsterdam, when I was met by a Riviera representative, my perception of 'would I fit in?' was immediately quashed. It was nice to see a mixed age range and everyone getting to know each other. MS George Eliot is 110 metres long and carries 132 passengers, so a small ship. One of the highlights was that nowhere was too far to walk, I felt very much at home, so sailing on a small ship was very much a positive, not a negative. All excursions are included, but that doesn't mean you have to do them all, but why not? It takes the stress away of extra spending money, sourcing tickets, knowing where to go, plus you're getting expert knowledge of the places you're visiting.

Is it good value? I don't think I need to answer this one! Once you break down the cost of the trip, you will soon realise you're

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As you can see, there really isn't much else to think about with so much being included, and Riviera Travel gives you

the option of adding on a drinks package too, making it a little more inclusive. Prices start from £59 per person to include wine by the glass, soft drinks, draught beers and non-alcoholic beers with lunch and dinner. Definitely worth every penny!

Being in my 30s I wasn't sure river cruising was going to be my type of holiday, but it's totally the opposite, and I can't wait to book my next one!

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PRINCESS CRUISES CROWN GRILL'S BLACK AND BLUE ONION SOUP

Try your hand at making this passenger favourite at home. It's a hearty starter that's great to share, based on traditional French onion soup recipes and enlivened with flavours of whiskey and Roquefort cheese.

Serves 2

For the soup:

- > **1** teaspoon olive oil
- > **2** white onions, sliced
- > **1** teaspoon fresh thyme leaves
- > **2** tablespoons of Jack Daniels
- > **1** litre of clear brown chicken stock (substitute for vegetable stock to make vegetarian)
- > Salt and pepper to taste

For the Roquefort crust:

- > **Half** a loaf of white or French bread
- > **1** garlic bulb, cut across the grain
- > Olive oil
- > **225g** Roquefort cheese, crumbled



Method

- > Sauté the onions in olive oil over a medium-low heat, stirring occasionally until browned. Do not burn. Add thyme and cook for an extra two minutes.
- > Add the Jack Daniels. If the mixture doesn't ignite from the stove, light carefully with a match and let the alcohol burn off.



- > Add the stock and simmer for one hour, over a moderate heat, allowing the onions to stew.
- > Season to taste and ladle into ovenproof bowls.



- > To make the Roquefort crust, pre-heat the oven to 180°C.
- > Cut the bread into rings, sized to fit into the ovenproof bowls. Rub the cut garlic bulb across the bread.
- > Place onto baking sheets and drizzle with olive oil. Bake in the oven until crisp and golden brown.
- > Top each soup portion with a round of toasted bread and a thick layer of Roquefort cheese. Place under the grill until the cheese is melted and lightly browned and serve immediately.

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