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Fred. Olsen brings stunning European waterways 'closer' with Scottish flights on 2019 *Brabant* sailings

Fred. Olsen River Cruises is bringing the stunning waterways of Europe 'closer' to its guests in Scotland and the north of the UK with flights from Edinburgh on 10 of its *Brabant* river cruises in 2019.

On 4th April 2019, *Brabant* will set sail on its second river cruise season, serving some of Europe's finest waterways, including the Rhine, Main, Moselle and Danube, with 33 tempting itineraries to choose from, 10 of which will include direct flights from Scotland.

Guests can take advantage of a 'FREE Tips & Dining Drinks' upgrade on almost every *Brabant* itinerary in 2019, on all new bookings made by 28th February 2019, allowing guests to enjoy complimentary selected house wines, beers, spirits and soft drinks when served with lunch and dinner, with the 'added extra' of all gratuities being paid by Fred. Olsen.

A 'No Single Supplement' offer with Scottish flights will also apply on *Brabant's* R1903 'Springtime Dutch Discovery' sailing in April 2019.

Keith Norman, River Sales Manager at Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"At Fred. Olsen, we pride ourselves on bringing the world 'closer' to our guests, and we know how important it is to those living in Scotland and the north of the UK to have convenient, direct flights available close to them.

"We are now excited to begin another year of sensational scenic cruising on

board stylish Brabant, along some of Europe's most picturesque waterways, to culture-rich countries and sensational cities, and Scottish guests are sure to find an itinerary to suit all tastes and interests.

“We believe that the option of hassle-free direct Scottish flights, together with our new range of great-value booking offers, will add that extra special touch to what we know will be a fantastic holiday, whether you are an existing Fred. Olsen river cruise guest, or you are trying Brabant for the very first time.”

Brabant itineraries offering flights from Scotland, and featuring the 'FREE Tips & Dining Drinks' upgrade, include:

Five-night R1903 'Springtime Dutch Discovery' fly-cruise, ex Amsterdam, Netherlands (flights from Edinburgh/London Heathrow/Manchester) on 14th April 2019. Prices start from £999 per person.

Solo travellers can sail from £1,199 per person with 0% single supplement on certain grades.

Discover Amsterdam's world-famous attractions, such as the Rijksmuseum and Anne Frank House, or view tulips in full seasonal bloom on a tour to the legendary Keukenhof Gardens. Enjoy scenic cruising across the IJsselmeer, sail by the picturesque cities of Zutphen and Zwolle and see the imposing Pannderden Fort as Brabant transits the Pannerden Canal. Visit a string of towns and cities steeped in history and authentic culture, including Nijmegen – the Netherlands' oldest city – and Kampen, home to one of the country's best-preserved historic centres.

Ports of call: Amsterdam, Netherlands (overnight stay) – *Cruising Across IJsselmeer, Netherlands* – Hoorn, Netherlands – Kampen, Netherlands – *Cruising on IJssel River, Netherlands* – Deventer, Netherlands (overnight stay) – *Cruising by Zutphen, Netherlands* – Arnhem, Netherlands (overnight stay) – *Cruising Pannerden Canal & Fortress, Netherlands* – Nijmegen, Netherlands – Düsseldorf, Germany

For more details: Visit [R1903 'Springtime Dutch Discovery'](#)

Seven-night R1905 'Cities of the Beautiful Danube' fly-cruise, ex Nuremberg,

Germany (flights from Edinburgh/London Heathrow) on 26th April 2019. Prices start from £1,899 per person.

Explore the spellbinding city of Salzburg on tour from Passau; journey through the fjord-like landscapes of the Schlägener Schlinge and enchanting destinations in the beautiful Wachau Valley will whet your appetite for stops at three stunning capital cities. Marvel at the majestic palaces and sweet symphonies of Vienna; uncover the classic and contemporary delights of Bratislava; and delight in the architectural, cultural and historical wonders of Budapest.

Ports of call: Nuremberg, Germany – Regensburg, Germany – Passau, Germany – *Cruising Schlägener Schlinge, Germany* – Linz, Austria – Emmersdorf & Melk, Austria – *Cruising the Wachau Valley, Austria* – Dürnstein, Austria – Nussdorf (Vienna), Austria (overnight stay) – Bratislava, Slovakia – *Cruising into Budapest, Hungary* – Budapest, Hungary (overnight stay)

For more details: Visit [R1905 'Cities of the Beautiful Danube'](#)

Seven-night R1910 'Exploring the Scenic Moselle Valley' fly-cruise, ex Düsseldorf, Germany (flights from Edinburgh/London Heathrow) on 27th June 2019. Prices start from £1,499 per person.

An effortlessly rewarding journey combining unforgettable daytime scenic river cruising and stops at enchanting towns and cities. See a medley of exquisite vineyards, forested hills, and picture-perfect historic towns as Brabant sails the Middle Moselle, Lower Moselle and Middle Rhine valleys; marvel at Cologne's stunning cathedral, the half-timbered houses of Bernkastel-Kues, Cochem's imposing Reichsburg Castle and more during time ashore. There's a chance to explore the UNESCO-listed historic centre of Strasbourg before sailing through the Upper Rhine Valley and Grand Canal d'Alsace

Ports of call: Düsseldorf, Germany (overnight stay) – Cologne, Germany – *Cruising Passage of Bonn, Germany* – Remagen, Germany – *Cruising Middle Moselle Valley, Germany* – Bernkastel-Kues, Germany – Cochem, Germany – *Cruising Lower Moselle Valley, Germany* – Koblenz, Germany (overnight stay) – *Cruising Middle Rhine Valley, Germany* – Speyer, Germany – Strasbourg, France – *Cruising Upper Rhine, Germany* – Basel, Switzerland

For more details: Visit [R1910 'Exploring the Scenic Moselle Valley'](#)

All prices shown are based on two adults sharing a twin-bedded Standard Room, and include accommodation, all meals and entertainment on board, port / airport taxes, flights and transfers, where applicable.

Guests booking their holidays with Fred. Olsen River Cruises can also benefit from its 'Book with Confidence' guarantee. This means that, once a booking is confirmed, Fred. Olsen guarantees that no surcharges or supplements will be added to the cruise price.

Bookings are underpinned by the security of ABTA and ATOL protection, as well as Fred. Olsen's industry-leading 'Enjoyment Promise', giving real peace of mind.

What is more, all cruises, shore tours and purchases made on board Fred. Olsen's ships are priced in Pounds Sterling – so that guests can explore the world without having to worry about exchange rates.

For further information on Fred. Olsen River Cruises, visit the website at www.fredolsencruises.com/river-cruises Book online, call Reservations on 0800 0355 242 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm; Saturday, 9am to 5pm; Sunday, 10am to 4pm), or visit an ABTA travel agent.

Fred. Olsen Cruise Line operates in the UK with four intimately sized ships for a more personal cruising experience.

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