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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' *Boudicca* to commence cruise season from Dover in Spring 2015

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' 880-guest ship *Boudicca* is due to commence her cruise season from Dover on 7th April 2015, with a seven-night 'France & Spain' sailing. In all, Fred. Olsen is offering five [cruises from Dover](#) on board *Boudicca* in 2015/16, plus a further 16 departures on board 929-guest *Braemar*.

Fred. Olsen will be offering guests in the South East a variety of itineraries on board *Boudicca*, including a seven-night '**Norwegian Fjords**' adventure, a 15-night '**Film Stars and Fast Cars**' sailing, which will call into Nice, for tours to one of the most famous motoring events in the world – the Monaco Grand Prix – and at Cannes, for the glamorous Cannes Film Festival, as well as an

11-night '**Around the UK**' cruise.

Nathan Philpot, Sales and Marketing Director for Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"We are really pleased to be offering our loyal and valued guests in the South East a cruise programme on two of our ships this year!

"Not only will *Braemar* serve our guests out of the Port of Dover from May to September, but *Boudicca* will be hosting a number of unique Spring sailings, including one of our most popular cruises ever – 'Film Stars & Fast Cars' – which we will be repeating in 2016, due to unprecedented demand."

Boudicca's sailings from Dover in 2015/16 include:

- **14-night D1508 'Floral Canaries' cruise, departing on 14th April 2015.** Prices start from £799 per person.

Guests will arrive first in **Leixoes**, in Portugal, for tours to nearby **Oporto**. Here, they can visit one of the many Port cellars, or take a leisurely stroll along the famous River Douro.

The cruise then takes guests to **Funchal**, in Madeira, on 19th April 2015, where the ship will stay overnight. There will be plenty of time for guests to explore this exquisite 'Garden Island' and soak up all that its celebrated 'Flower Festival' has to offer – glorious sunshine, the finest flower displays and an abundance of local traditions, festivities and celebrations.

Boudicca will then cruise onto **Santa Cruz** in Tenerife, where guests can take a tour to the Pyramids of Guimar and the Secret Garden, which is home to an intriguing selection of poisonous plants.

Next stop is **Arrecife**, in Lanzarote, where guests can experience a camel ride through the rocks of Fire Mountain in the Timanfaya National Park, or visit the beautiful saltwater lagoon of Jameos del Agua Cave and Cesar Monique's unique cactus garden.

Guests will then have a day to explore **Cádiz**, in Spain. The scenic waterfront

offers guests a tempting choice of bars and cafés, and is a popular destination for those wanting to unwind with a glass of Sherry from Jerez de la Frontera.

- 11-night D1509 'Around the UK' cruise, departing on 28th April 2015. Prices start from £899 per person.

Explore the natural beauty of our homelands on this cruise of the UK. Guests will arrive first in charming **St. Peter Port**, in Guernsey, where they will find an abundance of antique shops, boutiques and stylish cafés.

Next is a call to **Falmouth**, where guests can travel to see the spectacular Eden Project and the Lost Gardens of Heligan, before cruising onto **Milford Haven**, for tours to Pembrokeshire, in Wales. Guests can wander through Picton Castle and Gardens; visit the medieval fortress of Pembroke Castle – the birthplace of Henry Tudor; or marvel at the wonderful National Botanic Garden of Wales.

Boudicca will then cruise to **Liverpool**, where she will dock next to the iconic Liver Building. Here, guests can visit one of the many museums, including Tate Liverpool, the International Slavery Museum and the Beatles Story.

Next, is a full day of scenic cruising past **Firth of Lorn, Duart Castle, Sound of Mull, Point of Sleat** on the Isle of Skye and **Loch Scavaig**.

Guests will then arrive in **Kirkwall**, on the Orkney Islands. The area has an eclectic heritage of Christian, Nordic and Celtic influences, which can be seen in the sculpted churches and local buildings. Kirkwall also has two impressive museums: Tankerness House, a beautifully-preserved 16th Century town house; and the Orkney Wireless Museum, which has unique displays on the history of radio.

Boudicca will then cruise to **Invergordon**, in Scotland, where there is a chance to discover Scottish history at the 15th Century Cawdor Castle, or take a tour to go in search of the legendary Loch Ness Monster.

Next, is a call to the beautiful city of **Edinburgh**, from Rosyth. Guests can explore the Royal Mile and Edinburgh Castle, or visit the renowned Royal Botanical Gardens.

The final port of call takes guests to **North Shields**, for tours to Northumberland. With a full day to explore this area of culture and historical attractions, guests can visit Alnwick Castle, Hadrian's Wall or Castle Keep – a well preserved Norman Stone Castle.

- Seven-night D1510 'Mountains, Waterfalls & Fjords' cruise, departing from Dover on 9th May 2015. Prices start from £549 per person.

With Fred. Olsen's proud Norwegian heritage and smaller ships, guests will experience the very best of Norway on this Spring cruise. Guests will spend the first day enjoying a scenic cruise through some of Norway's most iconic landscapes: the mighty **Lysefjord** – one of the 'pearls of Norway', featuring 'Preikestolen' ('Pulpit Rock') and '**Kjerag**' ('The Mountain Bolt'); **Karmsundet**; and along **Åkrafjord**, to the mighty **Langfoss Waterfall**.

Boudicca will then arrive in the pretty village of **Olden**, which is set amongst green meadows and rural tranquillity. From here, guests can take a tour to Jostedal Glacier and the famous glacier arm, Briksdal.

Boudicca will then cruise past **Hornelen**, in Nordfjord – one of Norway's longest fjords – before arriving in **Flåm**. Here, guests can admire the impressive surroundings by taking the Flåm Railway, a masterpiece of engineering that climbs up by almost a thousand metres.

Next is a cruise along **Nærøyfjord**, which is rated by *National Geographic* as the number one natural heritage site, before arriving in the Hanseatic city of **Bergen**. Guests can visit the UNESCO-listed Bryggen Wharf, with its colourful timbered houses and cobbled streets, the vibrant fish market, the Trolldhaugen Museum, or take a trip on the funicular railway to the top of Mount Fløyen.

All prices listed are based on two adults sharing a twin-bedded, Inside cabin, and include accommodation, all meals and entertainment on board, and port dues. Guests can also choose to upgrade to the 'all-inclusive' drinks package for just £10 per person, per night on selected drinks*.

Fred. Olsen is pleased to have been awarded the 'Gold Trusted Merchant' status by independent review site Feefo in 2015, for the second year in a row. This accreditation is based on genuine customer feedback and, to date, Fred.

Olsen has received over 10,500 reviews, with 95% of these being in the 'Good' or 'Excellent' categories.

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For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, visit the website at www.fredolsencruises.com 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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