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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines reveals Top 20 'hand-picked highlights' for 2018/19

Norway's breathtaking fjords, majestic Iceland and the sun-soaked islands of the Indian Ocean are among Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' most popular sailings for 2018/19, unveiled in its new 'Top 20 Cruises' brochure.

Fred. Olsen's hand-picked sailings include 'off-the-beaten-track' destinations, such as explorations of Arctic Russia, Spitsbergen and the remote islands of the Atlantic, while those seeking sun, sea and sand can choose from island-hopping around the Mediterranean or exotic Indian Ocean adventures.

Justin Stanton, Sales and Marketing Director for Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"At Fred. Olsen, our cruises have been carefully created to offer more than just the regular tourist crowd-pullers, so guests can get the genuine essence of each destination along the way. Guests can discover Canada, as it bursts into colour during the Fall, immerse themselves in the historic towns and cities of the Adriatic, or head to the Baltic region in time for the 'Medieval Days Festival' in Tallinn, Estonia.

"There are chances to experience some of the world's most captivating waterways aboard Fred. Olsen's smaller, friendlier ocean cruise ships, too. The picturesque River Seine, the spectacular Stockholm Archipelago and the scenic Kiel Canal are three fine examples, not forgetting the Norwegian fjords, of course."

Highlights of Fred. Olsen's 2018/19 itineraries include:

- *Boudicca*'s 22-night D1803A 'Remote Islands & Desert Dunes' fly-cruise (adult-only), ex Cape Town, South Africa on 7^{th} February 2018. Prices start from £2,999 per person (fly-cruise package, via London Gatwick / Manchester, with limited availability) / £2,199 per person (cruise only, with limited availability).

Discover distant destinations galore on this unforgettable journey from captivating Cape Town to history-packed Senegal and Cape Verde. Enjoy rare calls into the isolated islands of St Helena and Ascension, while two days in Namibia present the chance to see fascinating wildlife and the world's oldest desert, the Namib.

Ports of call: Cape Town, South Africa (overnight stay) – Lüderitz, Namibia – Walvis Bay, Namibia – Jamestown, St Helena – Georgetown, Ascension Island – Dakar, Senegal – Praia, Cape Verde Islands – Mindelo, Cape Verde Islands – Santa Cruz, Tenerife

For more information: See Remote Islands & Desert Dunes

- *Balmoral*'s 10-night L1812 'Swedish Waterways & Cities' cruise, ex Edinburgh (Rosyth) on 16th May 2018. Prices start from £1,199 per person.

Ports of call: Edinburgh (Rosyth), UK – Malmö, Sweden – Visby, Gotland, Sweden – Stockholm, Sweden (overnight stay) – Gothenburg, Sweden – Edinburgh (Rosyth), UK

Discover the very best of Sweden, from diverse destinations to some of Scandinavia's lesser-known scenic waterways, aboard Fred. Olsen's flagship, 'Balmoral'. Visit the historic old quarters, impressive museums, architectural wonders and cultural highlights of Malmö, Visby, Stockholm and Gothenburg, and experience a leisurely cruise of the awe-inspiring Stockholm Archipelago and beautiful West-coast fjords.

For more information: See <u>Swedish Waterways & Cities</u>

- *Black Watch*'s 14-night W1816 'Wonders of Greenland, Iceland & Norway' cruise, ex Liverpool on 25th July 2018. Prices start from £1,999 per person (with limited availability).

Explore the remote regions of Greenland, Iceland and Norway on Fred. Olsen's most intimate cruise ship, 804-guest 'Black Watch'. Sail among icebergs, go whale-watching, uncover dramatic scenery and much, much more! Iconic attractions will be within easy each, from Iceland's unforgettable 'Golden Circle' route –

boasting the 'Big Three' of the Gullfoss Waterfall, the Geysir area and Thingvellir National Park – to Norway's impressive Briksdal Glacier from Olden.

Ports of call: Liverpool, UK – Reykjavík, Iceland – Tasiilaq, Greenland – Akureyri, Iceland – *Cruising Eyjafjörõur – Cruising by Hrísey – Cruising Eyjafjörõur – Cruising Reyõarfjõrõur –* Eskifjörõur, Iceland – *Cruising Reyõarfjõrõur* – Ålesund, Norway – Olden, Norway – *Cruising Nordfjord – Cruising by Hornelen* – Liverpool, UK

For more information: See Wonders of Greenland, Iceland & Norway

- Braemar's 23-night M1825 'Historic Towns & Cities of the Adriatic' cruise,

ex Southampton on 2nd October 2018. Prices start from £2,799 per person.

A stunning exploration of the Adriatic, taking in captivating cities and UNESCOlisted sites. Discover the Islands of Malta and Sicily; sail the fjord-like Bay of Kotor; take a gondola ride in romantic Venice; walk the city walls of Dubrovnik; and uncover Diocletian's Palace in Split.

Ports of call: Southampton, UK – Malaga, Spain – Valletta, Malta – Kotor, Montenegro – *Cruising by Bay of Kotor – Cruising Laguna Veneta* – Venice, Italy (overnight stay) – Chioggia, Italy – Split, Croatia – Dubrovnik, Croatia – Trapani, Sicily, Italy – Cartagena, Spain – Lisbon, Portugal – Southampton, UK

For more information: See Historic Towns & Cities of the Adriatic

All prices shown are based on two adults sharing a twin-bedded Interior room, and include accommodation, all meals and entertainment on board, and port taxes.

For added peace of mind, guests can also choose to upgrade to Fred. Olsen's great-value 'all-Inclusive' drinks package from just £15 per person, per night, and enjoy a choice of selected house wines by the glass, along with selected house beers, house spirits and soft drinks all day, every day, with 50% off many premium drinks, too.

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, visit the website at www.fredolsencruises.com or call Reservations on 0800 0355 242 (Monday – Friday, 8am – 8pm; Saturday, 9am – 5pm; Sunday, 10am – 4pm).

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

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