'Get booking' on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' best-selling 2014 cruises to avoid price rises

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines has revealed its best-selling cruises for 2014, and guests are encouraged to 'get booking' before the main 'Worldwide Cruises 2014/15' brochure is launched to avoid price rises, coming into effect from 19th September 2013.

Guests booking before this date can take advantage of great Fred. Olsen cruise deals, plus extra benefits, including free parking, free transport and free onboard spending credit, which will be withdrawn when the main 'Worldwide Cruises 2014/15' brochure comes out. Guests can also benefit from the 'all-inclusive' drinks upgrade at just £6.99 per person, per night, to help them to enjoy their cruise holiday in style, without any budget worries, which is available at this price up to 19^{th} September 2013.

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

"We are very pleased to see that so many of our loyal guests have already booked their Fred. Olsen cruise holiday for 2014, and in many cases have committed for 2015. When our new 'Worldwide Cruises 2014/15' brochure launches in mid-September, many of the prices on our best-selling cruises will increase, due to limited cabin availability, and we therefore want to take this opportunity to offer any potential guests a 'last chance' offer to take advantage of some of our fantastic cruise deals."

Fred. Olsen's nine best-selling cruises for 2014 are:

- *Black Watch's* 16-night W1403 'Film Stars & Fast Cars' cruise, ex Southampton on 17th May 2014

This exciting 'experience' cruise visits Gibraltar, Almeria (Spain), Cannes (France), Nice (France) and Barcelona, Peniscola and Cadiz – all Spain – before returning to Southampton. It offers guests the chance to 'rub shoulders with the rich and famous', with special shore tours to the Monaco Grand Prix and an opportunity to be in Cannes for the famous Film Festival. Prices start from £1,499 per person. With free onboard spending credit or free parking.

- *Balmoral's* 28-night L1407 'To the Heart of the Black Sea' cruise, ex Southampton on 14th June 2014

This cruise visits some of the loveliest destinations on the Black Sea: Malaga (Spain), Valletta (Malta), Varna (Bulgaria), Odessa (Ukraine), Sevastopol (Ukraine), Istanbul (Turkey), Izmir (Turkey), Piraeus (for Athens, Greece), Thira (Santorini), Cagliari (Sardinia), Cartegena (Spain) and Lisbon (Portugal), and offers guests the chance to enjoy some warm weather, whilst taking in some of the very best cultural highlights of the Black Sea. Prices start from £2,499 per person. With free transport and up to £350 per cabin free onboard spending credit.

- Black Watch's 15-night W1406 'Voyage to the Arctic & North Cape' cruise, ex Newcastle on 28th June 2014

Visiting the Northern-most point of mainland Europe, this cruise will take guests on a trip around Kristiansund (Norway), Honningsvåg (North Cape, Norway), Ny-Ålesund (Svalbard), Longyearbyen (Svalbard), Tromsø (Troms), Leknes (Lofoten Islands) and Ålesund (Norway), with the chance to marvel at the wilderness and magnificent beauty. Prices for this cruise start from £1,599 per person. With free onboard spending credit or free parking.

- Boudicca's 14-night D1411 'Discover Greenland & Iceland' cruise, ex Liverpool on 7^{th} July 2014

On this cruise, guests can take in the sights of Reykjavik (Iceland), on an overnight stop, Narsarsuaq (Greenland), Qaqortoq (Greenland) and Nanortalik (Greenland). Guests are also encouraged, while cruising the southern coast of Greenland, to watch out for whales, manatees and seals. *Prices start from* £1,299 per person. With free onboard spending credit or free parking.

- *Balmoral's* 32-night L1413 'Canadian Fall with New York & Boston' cruise, ex Southampton on 1st September 2014

On this voyage, guests will arrive on the famed eastern seaboard of Canada, just as the Fall foliage is at its very best. *Balmoral* calls at St. John's (Newfoundland), Gaspé (Canada), Baie-Comeau (Canada), Quebec (Canada), where she stops overnight, Saguenay (Canada), Shelburne (Nova Scotia), Halifax (Nova Scotia), Bar Harbor (Maine), Boston (USA) – for an overnight stop – New York (USA) – for another stayover – and Sydney (Nova Scotia). Prices start from £2,999 per person. *With free transport and up to £350 per cabin free onboard spending credit*.

- *Braemar's* 22-night M1426 'Venice & the Beauty of the Adriatic'cruise, ex Southampton on 13th September 2014

This exotic cruise visits some of the most stunning destinations on the Adriatic coast: Gibraltar, Valletta (Malta), Bari (Italy), Split (Croatia), Venice (Italy), Ravenna (Italy), Dubrovnik (Croatia), Trapani (Italy), Cartagena (Spain) and Lisbon (Portugal). Prices start from £1,899 per person. With free transport and up to £150 per cabin free onboard spending credit.

- *Boudicca's* 14-night D1418 'The Islands of Azores & Madeira' cruise, ex Greenock on 26th September 2014

This sunshine cruise takes in the beautiful sites of Praia da Vitoria, Horta and Ponta Delgada (Azores), plus Funchal (Madeira), Lisbon and Leixoes, for tours to Oporto, in Portugal, before returning to Greenock. Prices start from £1,099 per person. With up to £200 per cabin free onboard spending credit.

- *Balmoral's* 14-night L1415 'Historic Islands & Cities of Portugal' cruise, ex Southampton on 10th October 2014

Offering guests a chance to escape the autumnal weather at home, this cultural cruise visits the islands of the Azores, Funchal and Lisbon in Portugal, with a final stop at Leixoes for tours to the age-old city of Oporto (Portugal). Prices start from £999 per person. *No single supplement on 'Outside' cabins (subject to availability)*.

- Boudicca's 28-night D1419 'Empires of the Mediterranean & the Black Sea'

cruise, ex Liverpool on 11th October 2014

This cruise journeys across to the Mediterranean and deep into the Black Sea, where guests can experience a diverse array of cultures, history and landscapes, calling at Tangier (Morocco), Valletta (Malta), Varna (Bulgaria), Odessa (Ukraine), Sevastopol (Ukraine), Istanbul (Turkey), Izmir (Turkey), Piraeus (Greece), for tours to Athens, Thira (Santorini), Catania (Sicily), Almeria (Spain) and Gibraltar. Prices start from £2,299 per person. With free parking, no single supplement on 'Outside' cabins (subject to availability), and up to £250 per cabin free onboard spending credit.

All prices are per person, based on two adults sharing an inside, twin cabin, and include accommodation, all meals and entertainment on board, and port taxes.

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

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