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## Discover beaches and explore cities on a Fred. Olsen cruise from Tilbury in winter 2015

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines is 'bringing the world closer' to the people of Essex, with four exciting itineraries from Tilbury in winter 2015. *Boudicca*, carrying just 880 guests, will begin the cruise season from Tilbury with a 14-night 'Landscapes of Madeira & the Canaries' cruise on 30th November 2015, followed by a two-night 'Mini-Cruise to Rotterdam', a four-night festive trip to 'Bruges & Amsterdam' and a 14-night 'Canaries Christmas & New Year' celebration cruise, which calls into Lisbon in Portugal for New Year's Eve.

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

“We are pleased to be offering our guests in Essex the opportunity to embark on a Fred. Olsen cruise this winter from ‘on their doorstep’.

“We are committed to making our cruises accessible to guests around the UK and are proud to be the ‘local, global’ cruise line that offers unique and award winning itineraries – we were recently crowned ‘Best for Itineraries’ in Cruise Critic’s prestigious ‘UK Editors’ Picks Awards 2015 – from more regional departure ports than any other cruise line.”

Fred. Olsen’s four winter 2015 ex-Tilbury sailings, aboard *Boudicca*, are still available to book as follows:

**- 14-night D1525 ‘Landscapes of Madeira & the Canaries’cruise, departing on 30th November 2015.** Prices start from just £699 per person, based on two adults sharing a twin-bedded Inside cabin.Solo travellers can also book a selection of twin cabins for sole occupancy with no supplement (subject to availability).

*Visit a string of beautiful islands in the Canaries, including Tenerife and La Palma, call into the Moroccan city of Casablanca, from where guests can take a tour to exotic Marrakech. Plus, enjoy a visit to Madeira – home to picturesque villages, rugged peaks and verdant valleys – and Leixões in Portugal, where guests can take a short journey to Oporto.*

**- Two-night D1526 ‘Mini-Cruise to Rotterdam’, departing on 15th December 2015.** Prices start from £149 per person.

*Sail straight into the heart of the historic downtown district, where Santa Claus – accompanied by a fantastic local choir – will be ready to greet ‘Boudicca’ on her arrival. Visit Coolsingel, the city’s main street, which will be beautifully decorated, take in the impressive grand City Hall or enjoy a show at the city’s famous Christmas Circus for a truly unique and unforgettable experience.*

**- Four-night D1527 ‘Bruges & Amsterdam’ mini-cruise, departing on 17th December 2015.** Prices start from £299 per person.

*Explore two captivating European cities at Christmas with Fred. Olsen. Sailing from Tilbury, journey across the North Sea to Belgium and the Netherlands on board ‘Boudicca’. Visit the traditional Christmas markets and quaint chocolate*

*shops in Bruges, and take an evening canal ride in Amsterdam to see the many sights of this exciting destination.*

**- 14-night D1528 'Canaries & Portuguese Christmas & New Year' cruise, departing on 21st December 2015.** Prices start from £1,469 per person.

*Enjoy a very special festive season with a chance to discover the delights of Oporto – from Leixões – followed by a relaxing Christmas day at sea. Guests can then bathe in the winter sunshine on the beaches of Las Teresitas, Tenerife and Maspalomas, Gran Canaria, and enjoy calls into Funchal in Madeira and Santa Cruz in La Palma. This celebration cruise will then make its last call into Lisbon in Portugal for New Year's Eve, before returning to Tilbury.*

All prices include accommodation, all meals and entertainment on board, and port taxes.

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 12,000 reviews, with 95% of these being in the 'Good' or 'Excellent' categories.

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, visit the website at [www.fredolsencruises.com](http://www.fredolsencruises.com) Book online, call Reservations on 0800 0355 242 (Monday – Friday, 8am – 8pm; Saturday, 9am – 5pm; Sunday, 10am – 4pm), or visit an ABTA travel agent.

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

