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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines and Port of Dover celebrate inaugural call of Borealis

Borealis has sailed to Dover for her first ever turnaround call at the Port of Dover.

She was greeted by a water cannon fanfare as she sailed past the stunning White Cliffs, with a celebratory plaque exchange also taking place on board on 11th July.

It marks another chapter in the inspiring story of Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines and Dover, which began nearly 30 years ago with the arrival of the *Black Prince*. Since then, six members of the Fred. Olsen fleet have called in Dover, with

Borealis becoming the seventh, and many other commemorative events have taken place along the way.

Borealis' arrival comes days after Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines was lead sponsor of the Dover Regatta 2024, the Port's biggest annual fundraising event. The partnership showcases a shared mission to support the local community and provide world class travel experiences in Dover.

Peter Wright, Head of Cruise at the Port of Dover said:

"It was a pleasure to give the wonderful *Borealis* a special welcome as she sailed in for her first full turnaround day here.

"We have a fantastic relationship with Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines and are delighted to have their newest vessel based here for 10calls throughout the 2024 and 2025 season. We really enjoy working together to present the best of Kent, both as a destination and an excellent embarkation hub."

Samantha Stimpson, CEO of Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"We are incredibly proud of our longstanding partnership with the Port of Dover and for *Borealis* to be the seventh of our ships to homeport in the town in that time.

"We have a busy cruising schedule for both 2024 and 2025 with wonderful destinations including the Dalmatian coast, Norway, Iceland and the Azores.

"We look forward to many more years of delivering exceptional cruise experiences for quests embarking in Dover."

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' cruising programme from Dover has been carefully curated to ensure guests are visiting destinations at the very best time of year with opportunities to explore the volcanic Azores, see puffins before they migrate from Iceland and enjoy the Norwegian Fjords in summertime, with guests being treated to free parking this year.

The cruises are:

Borealis' nine-night S2416 'Scenic Landscapes and Wildlife of the British Isles' cruise departing from Dover on 22nd July 2024. Prices start from £1,599 per person.

- Discover the Scottish isles of Orkney and Skye
- Join ORCA to spot marine life from Borealis
- Explore the rugged beauty of Malin Head from Killybegs

Itinerary: Dover, UK – St Peter Port, Guernsey – Cruising by the Skelligs, Ireland – Cruising by Inishnabro, Ireland – Killybegs, Ireland – Stornoway, UK – Cruising Pentland Firth, UK – Portree Isle of Skye, UK – Cruising by Fingal's Cave, UK – Cruising by Dutchman's Cap (Bac Mor), UK – Cruising by the Small Isles, UK – Cruising by Neist Point Lighthouse, UK – Kirkwall, UK – Dover, UK

For more details: Visit <u>S2416 'Scenic Landscapes and Wildlife of the British</u> Isles'

Borealis' 14-night S2417 'Volcanic Islands of the Azores and Madeira' cruise, departing from Dover on 31stJuly 2025. Prices start from £1,199 per person.

- Discover more of Portugal's maritime history in Lisbon
- Admire the blue hydrangeas in full bloom in the Azores
- Spot sperm whales and other marine life with ORCA representatives

Itinerary: Dover, UK – Praia da Vitoria, Azores – Ponta Delgada, Azores – Funchal, Madeira (overnight stay) – Lisbon, Portugal – Cruise Mouth of River Tagus, Belem Tower and Discovery Monument, Portugal – Cruise by Cristo Rei and Abril 25 Bridge, Portugal – Lisbon, Portugal – Lexiões, Portugal – Dover, UK

For more details: Visit <u>S2417</u> 'Volcanic Islands of the Azores and Madeira'

Borealis' eight-night S2418 'Summertime Norwegian Fjords' cruise, departing from Dover on 14thAugust 2024. Prices start from £1,099 per person.

- Visit the mountain plateau of Hardangervidda from Eidfjord
- In Flåm, join a boat tour along the UNESCO-listed Nærøyfjord
- Take the funicular railway to the top of Mount Fløyen for a hike

Itinerary: Dover, UK – Cruising Maurangerfjord and Furebergsfossen, Norway – Cruise Hardangerfjord, Norway – Eidfjord, Norway – Bergen, Norway – Flåm, Norway – Cruising Nærøyfjord, Norway – Olden, Norway – Cruising Nordfjord and Innvikfjord, Norway – Dover, UK

For more details: Visit <u>S2418 'Summertime Norwegian Fjords'</u>

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines sailings from Dover, visit www.fredolsencruises.com/cruises-from-dover

Book online or call Reservations on 0800 0355 242 (Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6pm, Saturday 9am to 5pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm), or contact your ABTA travel agent.

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