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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines looks ahead to inaugural fleet get-together as one-year countdown launched for 'Four Ladies in Lisbon'

Today marks one year until Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' new-look fleet will get together for the first time, celebrating in Portugal's vibrant capital, Lisbon.

On 22nd October 2021, Fred. Olsen's four ships *Bolette, Borealis, Balmoral* and *Braemar* will between them host 'Four Ladies in Lisbon', with support from the Port of Lisbon and organisations within the city.

It is the third time that Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines has hosted such an event, but the first time with new ships *Bolette* and *Borealis*, which joined the fleet earlier this year.

Clare Ward, Director of Product and Customer Service, said:

"Our fleet get-togethers are always incredibly exciting, both for us and for our guests. This one will be even more so as it will be the first time our new-look fleet will be together after setting sail again, and the first time that our guests will be able to see them all together for themselves.

"The team here is busy making a programme of exciting plans for the day, both on our ships, the quayside and within the wonderful city itself. Previous years have included a treasure hunt, inter-ship contests and live music. Of course, we have extra factors to consider for next year to ensure the safety of our guests and crew, but the event is set to be packed with fun and festivities to bring our fleet together in style.

"These cruises are already proving popular with our guests, and we can't wait to see so many faces, both familiar and new, in Lisbon next October!"

The sailings are featured in this week's Virtual Cruising programme on the Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines Facebook page, and until 6th November guests can book with up to £150 off the advertised price by quoting "VCOFFER".

The 'Four Ladies in Lisbon' sailings are:

Braemar's 27-night M2125 'Iconic Sites of Croatia & Italy' cruise, departing from Southampton on 30th September 2021. Prices start from £3,799 per person.

Ports of call: Southampton, England – Cádiz, Spain – Crotone, Italy – Gallipoli, Italy – Kotor, Montenegro – Sibenik, Croatia – Venice, Italy – Chioggia, Italy – Split, Croatia – Dubrovnik, Croatia – Monopoli, Italy – Trapani, Italy – Cartagena, Spain – Lisbon, Portugal – Leixões (for Oporto), Portugal – Avilés, Spain – Southampton, England

For more details: Visit M2125 'Iconic Sites of Croatia & Italy'

Balmoral's 16-night L2132 'Heritage Sites of the Med' cruise, departing from Newcastle on 12th Cotober 2021. ■Prices start from £1,999 per person.

Ports of call:

Newcastle, England – La Coruña, Spain – Malaga, Spain – Cádiz, Andalusia – Leixões (for Oporto) – Antwerp, Netherlands – Newcastle, England

For more details: Visit L2132 'Heritage Sites of the Med'

Borealis' 15-night S2124 'Exploring the Azores and Portugal' cruise, departing from Liverpool on 18th October 2021. Prices start from £1,999 per person.

Ports of call: Liverpool, England – Belfast, Northern Ireland – Vigo, Spain – Lisbon, Portugal – Praia de Vitoria, Portugal – Horta, Portugal – Ponta Delgada, Portugal – La Coruña, Spain – Liverpool, England

For more details: Visit <u>S2124 'Exploring the Azores and Portugal'</u>

Bolette's 15-night T2125 'Escape to the Canaries' cruise, departing from Dover on 18th October 2021. Prices start from £1,899 per person.

Ports of call: Dover, England – La Coruña, Spain – Lisbon, Portugal – Arrecife, Spain – Las Palmas, Gran Canaria – Santa Cruz, Tenerife – Santa Cruz, La Palma – Funchal, Madeira – Dover, England

For more details: Visit T2125 'Escape to the Canaries'

The event was named 'Four Ladies in Lisbon' by guests following a vote as part of Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' Virtual Cruising programme in June. There were three names to choose from – 'Four Fred.s in Lisbon', 'Four Ladies in Lisbon', and 'Four B's in Lisbon' – as well as the opportunity for voters to suggest their own. Other options that were put forward included 'Fred.s Portuguese Parade', 'Fred.s Lisbon Liaison' and 'Liners in Lisbon'.

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, visit www.fredolsencruises.com. Book online, call Reservations on 0800 0355 242 (Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm), or contact your ABTA travel agent.

NOTES TO EDITORS

The price shown is based on two adults sharing a twin-bedded Interior Room, and includes accommodation, all meals and entertainment, plus 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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