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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines makes it even easier to enjoy an 'Around UK' getaway

Since a proportion of the UK population does not hold either a valid passport or photo card driving licence, Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines has amended its policy to widen the appeal of an 'Around UK' cruise, to include anyone who can produce other acceptable forms of photographic identification at Check-in.

Fred. Olsen will now accept the following forms of photographic identification on <u>'Around UK' cruises</u> only, not including any cruises calling into Eire (Republic of Ireland):

- Passport

- EU national ID card
- Driving licence
- Council-issued bus pass / travel card
- Firearms licence
- VALIDATE UK card

These forms of photographic identification ensure that Fred. Olsen continues to meet its own company policy of being able to verify the identity of each guest, and comply fully with the requirements of the International Ship and Port Facility Security ('ISPS') Code.

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

"One of our most popular range of cruise holidays is our 'Around UK' voyages, where guests can experience the many delights of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, in a simple, stress-free way.

"We are now making it even easier for that proportion of the UK population who do not have a passport or photo card driving licence to enjoy our indepth UK cruise experience, and get the chance to visit UK towns and cities that our smaller-sized ships can access."

In 2015, Fred. Olsen's revised policy will apply to the following 'Around UK' voyages:

Boudicca's 11-night D1509 'Floral Britannia' cruise, ex Dover on 28th April 2015. Prices start from £989 per person, based on an inside twin-bedded cabin, subject to availability.

Join *Boudicca* on this stunning 'Floral Britannia Cruise' and discover the very best of British. Calling at **Guernsey**, **Falmouth**, **Liverpool**, **Kirkwall**, **Rosyth** and **Newcastle**, guests will visit some of the most beautiful gardens and impressive landscapes that Scotland, England and Wales have to offer. - *Boudicca*'s seven-night D1514 'Highlights of the Highlands' cruise, ex Rosyth (Edinburgh) on 21st June 2015. Prices start from £800 per person, based on an Inside twin-bedded cabin, with limited availability.

Sail into the depths of the Highlands and discover some beautiful island towns on board *Boudicca*. The first port of call on this Highlands cruise is **Kirkwall**, the capital of the Orkney Islands. Next is **Lerwick**, on the Shetland Islands. Relax on the waterfront or climb the hills to spot the tiny ponies, before sailing onward to unspoilt **Stornoway**, on the Isle of Lewis, and scenic **Tobermory**. The final port of call is **Portree**, on the Isle of Skye, a quaint harbour town with a cosy, welcoming atmosphere.

- *Balmoral*'s ten-night L1508 'UK Islands & Landmarks' cruise, ex Southampton on 23rd June 2015. Prices start from £1,034 per person, based on an inside twin-bedded cabin, subject to availability.

Embark on a wonderful journey around the UK on board *Balmoral* and discover the 'best of British'. The cruise begins with a day in **Falmouth**, for trips to the Royal Maritime Museum and the nearby Eden Project. From here, guests will cruise to **Belfast** in Northern Ireland, then head north to scenic **Stornoway**, before discovering the deep heritage of the Orkney Islands. Next, spend a day in pretty **Lerwick**, in the Shetlands, home to the famous miniature ponies. *Balmoral* will then head back to the mainland, calling at **Invergordon** and **Newcastle**.

All prices are based on two adults sharing a twin-bedded, Inside cabin, and include accommodation, all meals and entertainment on board, plus port dues.

Fred. Olsen was delighted to be named one of the Top 3 UK cruise lines and awarded a prestigious 'Recommended Provider' accolade, in Which?'s firstever dedicated cruise survey in 2014. Experts at influential consumer website Cruise Critic have also voted Fred. Olsen 'Best Value for Money' in its 'Cruise Critic UK Editors' Picks Awards 2014', for the third consecutive year.

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

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

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