



Balmoral departing Rosyth

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#### Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines sails from Scotland for the first time since 2019

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines is cruising from Scotland once again, for the first time since 2019, when smaller ship *Balmoral* heads off to explore the Norwegian fjords.

On Friday July 8<sup>th</sup>Balmoral will depart Rosyth (Edinburgh), Scotland, for the eight-night 'Hidden Gems Of The Norwegian Fjords' cruise. On this sailing which is suited to her smaller size, guests will enjoy the rugged landscapes of Nordfjord, Sognefjord, Fjaerlandsfjord and Eresfjord. The ship will also visit Molde, Skjolden and Olden.

*Balmoral,* named after Queen Elizabeth II's Scottish estate, welcomed her first guests back on board in May 2022. She joined Fred. Olsen's new ships *Bolette* and *Borealis*, who both resumed cruising in 2021 - with *Borealis*being the first UK cruise ship to sail back into international waters.

*Balmoral's* first voyage was the 16-night 'Canary Islands with the Funchal Flower Parade' cruise. She has since sailed to Norway, Finland, Sweden, Estonia and Latvia, with all departures from Newcastle.

For the rest of the summer *Balmoral* will sail from Rosyth near Edinburgh before embarking on a series of sailings from Southampton, Dover and Portsmouth from September.

#### Peter Deer, Managing Director at Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"Welcoming guests from Scotland back on-board Balmoral, departing from Rosyth, is a major milestone for Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines. This first departure from Rosyth will be extra special as Scotland is Balmoral's spiritual home, and we always receive a warm welcome when sailing from there.

"There is a long and proud history at Fred. Olsen of naming ships after Scottish icons, which reflects the connections between the Olsen family and Scotland.

"It is wonderful to have three ships sailing again, which allows us to offer departures from more regional ports around the UK.

"I look forward exploring the world with our Scottish guests aboard Balmoral this year and beyond."

Some upcoming cruising highlights for *Balmoral include:* 

## Balmoral 13-night L2219A Cities & Islands of Sweden, Estonia & Latvia departing from Rosyth on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Prices start from £999 per person.

Itinerary: Edinburgh (Rosyth), Scotland – Liepaja, Latvia – Saaremaa, Estonia

Tallinn, Estonia – Stockholm Archipelago, Sweden – Stockholm, Sweden –
Visby, Sweden – Riga, Latvia – Klaipeda, Lithuania - Edinburgh (Rosyth),
Scotland

For more details: Visit L2219A Cities & Islands of Sweden, Estonia & Latvia

# Balmoral 10-night L2224A Discovering Castles, Palaces and Cultural Landmarks of Northern Europe departing Rosyth on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Prices start from £1,899 per person.

Itinerary: Edinburgh (Rosyth), Scotland – Fredericia, Denmark - Klaipeda, Lithuania - Gdansk, Poland - Sassnitz, Germany - Szczecin, Poland - Kiel Canal Transit, Germany - Edinburgh (Rosyth), Scotland

For more details: <u>Visit L2224A Discovering Castles</u>, <u>Palaces and Cultural</u> <u>Landmarks of Northern Europe</u>

## Balmoral 11-night L2225A French Rivers With Bordeaux departing from Rosyth on 29<sup>th</sup>August

Prices start from £1199 per person

Itinerary: Edinburgh (Rosyth), Scotland – Lorient, France - Bordeaux, France – River Seine, Rouen, France – Honfleur, France - Edinburgh (Rosyth), Scotland

For more details: <u>L2225A French Rivers With Bordeaux</u>

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines or to book online, visit <u>www.fredolsencruises.com</u>, call Reservations on 0800 0355 242 (Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6pm, Saturday 9am to 5pm), or contact your 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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