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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines to welcome TV wildlife presenter on board cruises in Norway and South Africa

One of Britain's most loved television presenters will be joining guests on board two Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines sailings.

Michaela Strachan, a regular face on TV screens for the past three decades, will be spending six days on board *Bolette* for the 'Scenic Autumnal Norwegian Fjords' cruise in September.

Then, in March 2025 in South Africa, she will be joining Bolette's maiden

world sailing, 'A Voyage of Exploration Around the World' cruise.

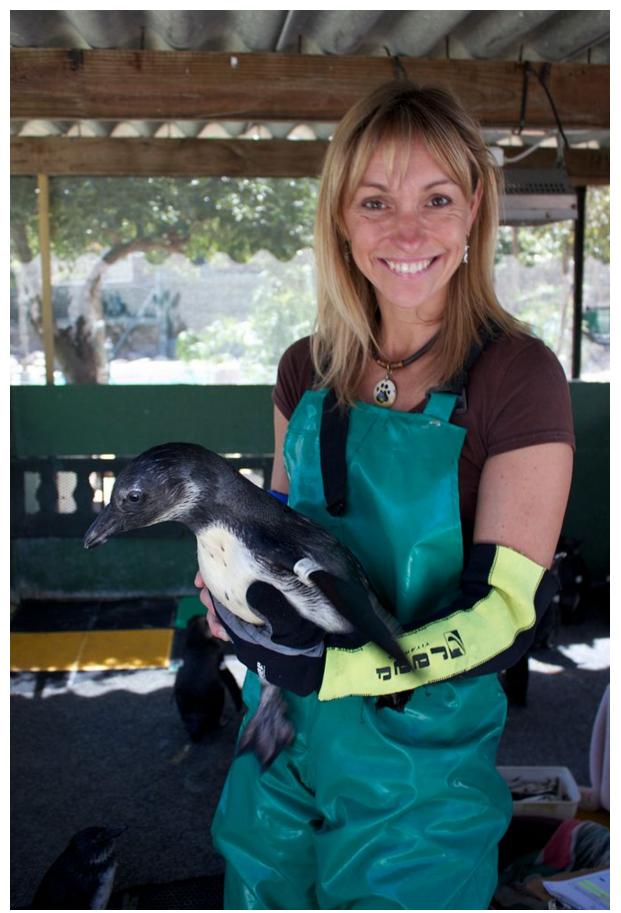
Stephanie Farrow, Itinerary Product and Destination Experience Manager at Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"We are thrilled to be welcoming Michaela Strachan on board from 24th to 30th September as we sail to the beautiful Norwegian Fjords and from 29th March to 2ndApril 2025 when we arrive in stunning South Africa.

"We know that our guests truly value the opportunity to learn more about nature and what's better than hearing about Michaela's stories from behind the scenes of wildlife filmmaking?

"Alongside this, Michaela will be accompanying guests on tours including kayaking in Alesund, Norway, and in Cape Town to Boulders Beach to see the colony of penguins, the Cape of Good Hope to take in the unique flora and fauna and seek out the Big Five at Aquilla Game Reserve."

Guests on the Norwegian Fjords cruise will be able to listen to a talk on British wildlife. While in Cape Town, having volunteered for SANCCOB, the local sea bird rescue centre, Michaela will talk about penguin rescue and conservation.



Guests will also have the chance to book an exclusive lunch with Michaela and take part in a Q&A session while she is on board both cruises.

Michaela said:

"I'm really looking forward to joining the Norwegian Fjords cruise. I've sailed through the fjords a couple of times and it's spectacular.

"As for joining the World Cruise as it sails into Cape Town, it's where I've lived for the last 22 years, and I always get huge pleasure showing the sights off to guests.

"It's known as the Mother City and people always sail away with a little bit of Cape Town in their hearts."

The World Cruise will see guests visit iconic sites such as Sydney's Harbour and Opera House and the mysterious Moai statues on Easter Island, immerse themselves in the rhythmic beats of the Samba in Rio de Janeiro and the Argentine Tango in Buenos Aires and witness the beauty of the Chilean Fjords.

Meanwhile, in Norway, the cruise has been timed as autumn transforms the landscapes into a scenic tapestry of colours and guests will be taken to the UNESCO-listed Geirangerfjord, the cascading Seven Sisters Waterfall and have the chance to hike to Briksdal Glacier.

The cruises Michaela will be joining are:

Bolette'snine-night T2422 'Scenic Autumnal Norwegian Fjords' cruise, departing from Liverpool on 21st September 2024.Prices start from £1,299 per person. Enjoy £100 per person to spend on board.

- Enjoy autumnal fjord scenery from on board *Bolette*
- Embrace 'Friluftsliv', the Norwegian concept of outdoor living
- Sail the picturesque Nordfjord and UNESCO-listed Geirangerfjord

Itinerary: Liverpool, UK – Cruising Nordfjord and Innvikfjord, Norway – Olden, Norway – Alesund, Norway – Nolde, Norway – Hellesylt, Norway – Cruise by the Seven Sisters Waterfall, Norway – Cruising Geirangerfjord, Norway – Cruising Storfjorden, Norway – Cruising by Strandafjellet Mountain, Norway – Liverpool, UK

For more details: Visit T2422 'Scenic Autumnal Norwegian Fjords'

Bolette's 106-night T2502 'A Voyage of Exploration Around the World' cruise, departing from Southampton on 6th **January 2025.** Prices start from £13,499 per person. Enjoy up to £600 per person to spend on board or free door-todoor transfers covering up to 250 mainland miles from the port.

- Explore the untouched landscapes of Robinson Crusoe Island
- See the iconic Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge
- Go in search of the Big Five in Africa

Itinerary: Southampton, UK – Lisbon, Portugal – Cruise by Cristo Rei and Abril 25 Bridge, Portugal – Cruise Mouth of River Tagus, Belem Tower and Discovery Monument, Portugal – Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain – Praia, Cape Verde – Rio de Janeiro, Brazil – Ilhabela, Brazil – Montevideo, Uruguay – Buenos Aires, Argentina – Cruise Magellan Strait, Chile – Punta Arenas, Chile - Cruise by Cape Deseado, Chile - Cruising Chilean Fjords, Chile (overnight port) – Valparaiso, Chile – Robinson Crusoe Island, Chile – Cruise by Alejandro Selkirk Island, Chile – Hanga Roa, Chile – Cruising by Pitcairn Island, French Polynesia – Papeete, French Polynesia – Bora-Bora, French Polynesia – Rarotonga, Cook Islands – Crossing International Date Line – Nuku' Alofa, Tonga – Sydney, Australia – Melbourne, Australia – Hobart, Australia – Albany, Australia – Fremantle, Australia – Port Louis, Mauritius – Reunion, Reunion – Ggeberha (Port Elizabeth), South Africa – Cape Town, South Africa (overnight port) – Luderitz, Namibia – Walvis Bay, Namibia – Jamestown, St Helena - Dakar, Senegal - Santa Cruz de la Palma, Spain -Funchal, Portugal – Southampton, UK

For more details: Visit <u>T2502</u> 'A Voyage of Exploration Around the World' cruise

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, visit the website at <u>www.fredolsencruises.com</u> Book online, call Reservations on 0800 0355 215 (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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