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## Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines unveils new hand-crafted programme of cruising for 2023/24

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines has unveiled its full programme of cruising for 2023/24, with more than 100 hand-crafted sailings and the introduction of new Journey Navigators across its fleet of smaller ships.

The new programme includes opportunities to witness Norway's famous Langfoss Waterfall in the spring, when the water is at its heaviest, explore the remote islands of the Azores, and visit Lapland in the summer months. Durations range from two to 93-nights, with regional departures from Liverpool, Newcastle, Rosyth, Southampton, Dover, London Tilbury and Belfast. In addition, the programme features the return of a fly-cruise programme, with *Braemar* to be based in the Caribbean for the winter months.

The new brochure also unveils Fred. Olsen's new Journey Navigators – Nature Scouts, Culture Curators, Maritime Guides and Entertainment Hosts – plus new signature experiences to celebrate the Joy of the Journey on each cruise.

Guests who book onto one of Fred. Olsen's new 2023/24 sailings can enjoy up to £250 per person to spend on board, or up to £500 when booking a suite.

Plus, those who book a 2023 cruise but are also looking to get away this year can take advantage of 10% off any new booking for 2022.

Martin Lister, Head of Itinerary Planning and Destination Experience at Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"This has been such an exciting programme to curate. Our smaller ships allow us to offer so many special experiences for our guests, and we've been really creative with our itinerary planning to shine a spotlight on this.

"We will be cruising scenic waterways that are out of reach to larger ships, including the Kiel Canal and the Seine and Loire rivers. Other highlights include docking close to the heart of Seville, Antwerp and Havana. *Braemar*is also set to repeat her record-breaking feat of transiting the ultra-narrow Corinth Canal – an experience not to be missed.

"We also know that our guests want to have authentic experiences ashore, and so we are developing a programme to support this. In Madeira, for example, rather than simply visit the world-famous gardens, guests can meet with a local orchid expert for a tour of the gardens, including a family-run orchid farm.

"And it's not just about the experiences ashore. Guests will find our new Journey Navigators on-board each of our ships to really bring to life the Joy of the Journey and all that is great about being at sea, from holding stargazing

events out on deck, to tours of the Bridge to celebrate our maritime history."

Highlights of Fred. Olsen's 2023/24 programme of cruising include:

**Bolette's 14-night T2318 'Summertime in Lapland and Scandinavia' cruise, departing from Newcastle on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023.** Prices start from £2,099 per person.

Itinerary: Newcastle, England – Turku, Finland – Cruising Turku Archipelago, Finland – Oulu, Finland – Kemi, Finland – Holmsund, Sweden – Sundsvall, Sweden – Stockholm, Sweden (overnight stay) – Cruising Stockholm Archipelago, Sweden – Aarhus, Denmark – Newcastle, England

For more details: Visit T2318 'Summertime in Lapland and Scandinavia'

**Bolette's 15-night T2327 'Volcanic Islands of the Canaries, Azores and Madeira' cruise, departing from Southampton on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023.** Prices start from £2,099 per person.

**Itinerary:** Southampton, England – Praia da Vitoria, Portugal – Ponta Delgada, Portugal (overnight stay) – Santa Cruz, La Palma – Santa Cruz, Tenerife – San Sebastian, La Gomera – Funchal, Madeira – Southampton, England

**For more details:**Visit <u>T2327 'Volcanic Islands of the Canaries, Azores and Madeira'</u>

**Borealis' 10-night S2322 'Touring Southern Spain, Portugal & Gibraltar' cruise, departing from Liverpool on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023.** Prices start from £1,399 per person.

Itinerary: Liverpool, England – Lisbon, Portugal – Cruising Mouth of River Tagus, Portugal – Gibraltar, Gibraltar – Málaga, Spain – Cádiz, Spain – La Coruña, Spain – Cruising by Tower of Hercules Lighthouse, Spain – Liverpool, England

For more details: Visit S2322 'Touring Southern Spain, Portugal & Gibraltar'

Braemar's 14-night M2401 'Latin America Civilisations' fly-cruise (flights from London Gatwick/Manchester), departing from Havana, Cuba on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024. Prices start from £2,699 per person.

Itinerary: Havana, Cuba (overnight stay) – Progreso, Yucatán, Mexico – Cozumel, Mexico – Colon, Panama – Cartagena de Indias, Colombia – Santa Marta, Colombia – Santiago de Cuba, Cuba – Havana, Cuba (overnight stay)

For more details: Visit M2401 'Latin America Civilisations'

**Balmoral's seven-night L2411 'Mighty Waterfalls and Norwegian Fjords' cruise, departing from Newcastle on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024.** Prices start from £1,099 per person.

**Itinerary:** Newcastle, England – Cruising Lysefjord, Norway – Cruising Hardangerfjord, Norway – Eidfjord, Norway – Cruising Maurangerfjord and Furebergfossen, Norway – Cruising Åkrafjord and Langfoss Waterfall, Norway – Bergen, Norway – Cruising Nordfjord, Norway – Olden, Norway – Cruising by Hornelen, Norway – **Åndalsnes, Norway** – Cruising Romsdalfjorden and Isfjorden, Norway – Newcastle, England

For more details: Visit L2411 'Mighty Waterfalls and Norwegian Fjords'

For more information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' new 2023/24 programme, visit<u>fredolsencruises.com/just-released</u>. Book online, call the friendly Reservations team 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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