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Fred. Olsen Launches Worldwide Cruises Brochure 2008-2009

Highlights of the new brochure include:

- Two epic long voyages – *Black Watch's* 97-night world cruise and *Balmoral's* 104-night world voyage
- Mediterranean fly/cruises, based in Civitavecchia (Rome) – both *Balmoral* and *Braemar* will operate a season from this port
- Caribbean fly/cruises based in Miami – *Balmoral* will operate this programme in March and April 2008 and *Braemar* from mid-November 2008 to April 2009
- *Boudicca's* first regional cruise programme, with cruises from Leith and Newcastle in summer 2008
- *Boudicca's* Caribbean fly/cruise season based in Barbados from November 2008 to April 2009
- *Balmoral's* cruise in autumn 2008 to Canada and New England, and two cruises from New York

This will be the first time Fred. Olsen has offered Caribbean fly/cruises from two different homeports – Barbados and Miami – and the number of regional airports included in the fly/cruise programme has also been extended to 21. In addition to Gatwick and Manchester, customers can now fly to a Fred. Olsen Caribbean cruise from Belfast, Birmingham, Bournemouth, Bristol, Cardiff, Doncaster/Sheffield, Dublin, East Midlands, Edinburgh, Exeter, Glasgow, Humberside, Leeds Bradford, Liverpool, Newcastle, Newquay,

Norwich, Stansted and Teesside.

The use of regional UK departure ports continues to be an important part of the overall programme, and in 2008-9 *Black Prince* will operate a programme of cruises exclusively from the regional ports of Liverpool and Greenock.

The extensive 2008-9 cruise programme also offers the greatest ever number of ports of call at 306 in 116 different countries, with around 21 ports new to Fred. Olsen. Included in these are:

CHINA: Shanghai, Tianjin and Xingang

JAPAN: Yokahama and Kagoshima

USA: San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Seattle, Seward, Skagway, Ketchikan

CANADA: Vancouver

RUSSIA: Petropavlovsk

INDIA: Chennai

SOUTH KOREA: Incheon

Brochure prices start from just £94 per person for *Black Prince* 2 night mini cruises in November 2008 and April 2009.

Lol Nichols, general sales manager for Fred. Olsen said:- “The extension of our fleet has allowed us much more scope for innovative cruises and itineraries. We can offer more long cruises and a host of new ports of call with the increased capacity at our disposal. These, plus the increased list of regional airports in our fly/cruise programme make our 2008/09 brochure the most exciting ever.”

Information on all Fred. Olsen’s cruises can be found at www.fredolsencruises.co.uk. Agents can book through Fred. Olsen

Reservations, via AmadeusCruise, or online via F.OCAL by registering with Agency Sales on 01473 746164 (having already registered on www.fredolsencruises.co.uk Travel Agent Centre).

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

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