

### Cruise Weekly today

Cruise Weekly today features two pages of all the latest cruise industry news.

### A-Rosa names *Sena*

**A-ROSA** Cruises' new vessel is to be named *A-Rosa Sena*.

The eco-friendly ship sets sail in May next year, with the name *Sena* taken from the Arabic word for "beauty".

The ship is currently under construction at the Concordia Damen shipyard.

*Sena* will start sailing on the Northern Rhine on 21 May 2022, with a seven-night cruise from Cologne visiting Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Dordrecht and Antwerp.

The ship will feature the E-motion hybrid propulsion concept, which combines a diesel engine and a separate electric engine.

## Silversea opens 2023/2024 journeys

**SILVERSEA** Cruises has opened general sale on almost 300 sailings for 2023/2024, including two new grand voyages.

Calling in almost 700 destinations in 125 countries, Silversea's new itineraries include new grand voyages to the Mediterranean in 2023, which will see new ship *Silver Moon* depart Lisbon on 06 Oct 2023, travelling to 52 destinations over 65 days.

There is also a new Grand Voyage to Africa & Arabia, embarking on *Silver Spirit* in Cape Town on 27 Jan 2024, and travelling to 28 destinations over 62 days.

Setting sail from Mar 2023 to May 2024, Silversea's new voyage collection will include more than 60 maiden calls, an increased 197 overnight calls, and more than 60 combination voyages for extended exploration.

Other additions include brand new itineraries in Africa and the Indian Ocean, including in-depth explorations of the Red Sea, with guests to discover the region's natural and archaeological heritage during new itineraries to the Arabian Peninsula, and extended stays in the Persian Gulf.

On all-new South Africa and Namibia voyages, travellers will have the chance to witness the region's Big Five on visits to safari reserves, as well as the Skeleton Coast, where guests will explore the unique wildlife and geology of the Vanilla Islands.

New itineraries in Northern Europe include Silversea's first-ever expedition voyages in the Baltic Sea, where travellers will journey to off-the-beaten-path destinations along the Finnish coast, while new Norwegian Fjord departures will offer the chance

to see autumnal foliage and the Northern Lights.

Expeditions to the British Isles will unlock new, remote destinations, such as the Farne Islands and Lindisfarne.

There will now be greater variety in Alaska, with brand new combinable itineraries that will offer extended adventures, including maiden calls to Icy Bay and Valdez, and the chance to witness the Columbia Glacier.

Also on offer will be more departures in Canada and New England, including voyages setting sail in the northern summer for the first time in Silversea's history, and an overnight call in Boston.

Silversea Senior Vice President of Expeditions Turnaround Operations & Destination Management Conrad Combrink shared his insights on the new 2023/2024 itinerary collection in a video [HERE](#).

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**IT IS** hard for a boat to go missing, but maybe not in a city of almost 10 million.

A New York City sailor is suing his ex for hiding a boat they bought together.

The plaintiff claims he and his then-girlfriend bought a boat for USD\$155,500 in Dec 2019 - with each paying half - to start a sailboat tour company called Sailing Islander.

The pair began offering sailboat excursions of New York Harbor, but when the couple split in Jan, she took off with the boat and hid it and now refuses to tell her partner where it is.

## Cunard squeaky-queen



**CUNARD** Line's *Queen Elizabeth* (pictured) is getting ready for her return to sailing in the United Kingdom after a 17-month pause in operations.

The final touches are being made as Cunard prepares to

return to sailing on 13 Aug, with the first in a series of British voyages, after which the cruise line's international sailings on board will begin in Oct.

First up will be a cruise from Southampton to Amsterdam, followed by a 14-night voyage to the Canary Islands and Madeira in Nov.

Cunard Commercial Director Australia & New Zealand Katrina McAlpine said watching Cunard sail again in the United Kingdom gives Australians something to look forward to.

"While the pathway for domestic cruising here in Australia remains uncertain, we are very fortunate to be part of a strong global organisation that continues to support us as we work towards a restart," she said.

"So many of our suppliers are not in such a fortunate position and need cruising to help their businesses to get to the other side of the pandemic."

Cunard President Simon Palethorpe also expressed the cruise line's delight at welcoming guests back on board.

## NCLH appointment

**CARNIVAL** Corporation veteran Gregg Zalkin has joined Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings (NCLH) in a new Destinations Programs Senior Manager role.

Zalkin will report to Senior Vice President Commercial Development Steven Moeller, and will support NCLH's ground operator partners and the company's destination services team by monitoring shore excursion agreements, tracking compliance, and analysing results.

He left Carnival Corp in May 2020 during the pandemic downsizing.

## Cruise petition

**A PETITION** to resume cruising in Australia lodged by Deluxe Travel & Cruise Director Sharon Summerhayes has been presented to the House of Representatives.

The petition requests the lifting of the ban on foreign-flagged ships, the allowance for cruising to resume in Australia with Aussies on board, and for cruising's inclusion in travel bubbles.

"There are ways to safely get vaccinated crew and ships to Australia, and with careful health and safety measures, domestic cruising can resume with Australians on board," the petition argues.

"We are already granting entry exemptions for thousands of overseas workers to support industry - crew are no different."

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