



Cruise Weekly today

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

Silversea events

SILVERSEA Cruises has revealed exclusive events aboard its 'The Curious & The Sea' 2026 World Cruise (CW 26 May), with general sales open.

The 140-day cruise calls at 70 destinations in 37 countries, with its selection of exclusive events to include a Bon Voyage reception dinner in Fort Lauderdale on 05 Jan 2026, a 'Polynesian Dreams' event in French Polynesia in Feb, and 'The Magic of Mystery Island' event in Mystery Island in Feb.

"Exclusive World Cruise events will provide our guests with unique access to some of the planet's most fascinating cultures," Silversea said.

NCL to Live It Up with Luis Fonsi

PUERTO Rican singer Luis Fonsi has been named Godfather of Norwegian Cruise Line's (NCL) newest ship *Norwegian Viva*.

Fonsi (pictured with President David Herrera) will perform and bless the vessel at the "Live it Up"-themed Official Naming Ceremony in Miami on 28 Nov.

The star-studded event will also feature performances by other Latin celebrities, such as singers Paulina Rubio and Pedro Capo, and comedian Marcello Hernandez.

Fonsi will officiate the ceremonial breaking of a champagne bottle on *Viva's* bow to bid the vessel and her travellers good fortune on their voyage.

"I am so honored to be named Godfather of NCL's newest ship *Norwegian Viva* and look forward to sharing her with the amazing people of Puerto Rico, a



community that truly represents the spirit of 'live it up,'" Fonsi said.

"Growing up on an island, the ocean plays such an important part in my life, and there is nowhere else I'd rather be.

"Cruising provides such an incredible vacation experience,

and I cannot wait to christen this incredible ship and to introduce her to the world."

Herrera added: "we are thrilled to welcome Latin music icon Luis Fonsi to the NCL family as Godfather of *Norwegian Viva*."

The second ship of NCL's Prima-class, the vessel will set sail on her maiden voyage from Trieste three months earlier, on 10 Aug, sailing a selection of Greek and Mediterranean voyages through to Nov.

Following her Official Naming Ceremony, *Viva* will homeport in San Juan, Puerto Rico in Dec for a season of tropical Caribbean sailings.

To commemorate the partnership and celebrate the all-star entertainment lineup to be featured at *Norwegian Viva's* christening event, NCL has put together a Live it Up Spotify playlist - [CLICK HERE](#) to listen.

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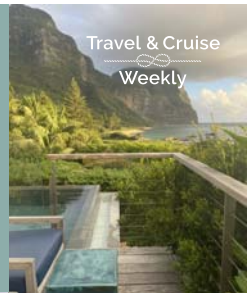
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APT deals ending

APT and Travelmarvel's Europe earlybird deals for next year are ending this week.

All deals must be booked by Fri, with cruises on offer including APT's 15-day Magnificent Europe sailing.

This is priced from \$6,995 per person twin share, including return flights to Europe and a saving of \$1,000 per couple.

Meanwhile, Travelmarvel's 14-night European Gems river cruises are priced from just \$3,995ppts, with savings up to \$5,400 per couple.

Both brands also still have a limited number of cabins available for Europe cruises departing later this year - [CLICK HERE](#) for more.

Canada regulations

CANADA has enacted mandatory waste water regulations for cruise ships, moving them from previously voluntary rules.

The new measures align with standards set out by the International Maritime Organization.

They address discharges of greywater and sewage, which are prohibited within three nautical miles from shore where possible.

Regulations ruling the treatment of these discharges farther from the shore have also been strengthened.

Princess has a nice ring to it

PRINCESS Cruises has unveiled new Princess Perfect Weddings at Sea packages.

Tailored for couples seeking unique and romantic ways to say "I do", Princess Perfect Weddings include grand ceremonies in the ship's piazza, as well as outside decks with stunning ocean views, providing a perfect backdrop for a romantic ceremony, at a price claimed to be significantly lower than land-based venues.

All Princess Perfect Weddings include a dedicated wedding specialist who works closely with couples pre-cruise and on board to tailor their wedding package according to their unique vision and requirements, including selecting the perfect venue, arranging decorations, flowers, and photography.

Packages will also see the ship's captain serve as the ceremony officiant.

More packages will be announced later this year, including Weddings Ashore, and a signature Randy Fenoli Weddings package, with the American television presenter (**pictured**), who is known for his work on wedding dresses, named Princess' "Love & Romance Ambassador".

He will also host a dedicated Randy Fenoli Bridal Fashion Themed Cruise at Sea in Dec, a seven-day Caribbean voyage on *Regal Princess* embarking in Galveston on 03 Dec.

The cruise will offer meet &



greet, signature events, and even wedding gown consultations with Fenoli.

Princess Perfect Weddings packages lead in from USD\$2,995, while vow renewals start at USD\$1,595, and a proposal package starts at USD\$795.

"Twenty-five years ago, Princess set the standard for weddings at sea, and with the help of Randy Fenoli, the most trusted source in the bridal industry, we're doing it again with our new Princess Perfect Weddings packages, evolving our offerings to create unparalleled experiences for couples and their loved ones, all at tremendous value," President John Padgett said.

"These new packages let

couples combine their dream wedding with an unforgettable voyage to picturesque destinations, to celebrate their special day in the most extraordinary ways imaginable."

Fenoli added: "being named Love & Romance Ambassador for Princess Cruises is an incredible honor, and I'm beyond excited to explore new ways to weave enchanting moments of romance that reinforce and expand The Love Boat legacy.

"Our Dec Themed Cruise is going to be a celebration of all things bridal, and no matter their shape, their budget or type of wedding, we're going to help match all of our brides-to-be with the perfect dress."



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BRITISH intelligence sources believe Russia may be training “combat dolphins” in Sebastopol on the Black Sea, as it continues to ramp up military activity against Ukraine.

Analysis from the UK Ministry of Defence depicts satellite imagery which indicates elevated levels of security at the naval base.

“This includes at least four layers of nets and booms across the harbour entrance,” the Ministry said on Twitter.

“In recent weeks, these defences have also been augmented by an increased number of trained marine mammals...imagery shows a near doubling of floating mammal pens in the harbour which highly likely contain bottle-nosed dolphins,” the report added, saying analysts believe the sea creatures are “highly likely intended to counter enemy divers”.

Ocean Albatros' first flight

ALBATROS Expeditions' *Ocean Albatros*, *Ocean Victory's* sister ship, completed her maiden voyage earlier this month (CW 16 Jun).

The new ship was taken over by Albatros in Tromso, and completed her maiden voyage in the Arctic.

Arriving just in time for her inaugural season, *Albatros* will depart on voyages to Svalbard, Iceland, and Greenland.

Albatros is specially designed to reduce her carbon footprint and minimise her environmental impact.

She is a certified ice-class vessel, and features a panoramic sauna, open-air jacuzzis, 360-degree view outside decks, and hydraulic observation platforms.

The spacious cabins are elegantly furnished in Scandinavian style, providing guests with a luxurious and comfortable environment in which to relax and rejuvenate after an exciting day of adventure.



The cruise line's founder and Chair Soren Rasmussen was one of the first to embark *Albatros* for her shakedown from Tromso to Longyearbyen, where she welcomed its first guests on 15 Jun.

“We are thrilled to welcome the *Ocean Albatros* and embark on new voyages this Arctic season,” Chief Commercial Officer Greg Carter said.

“With the new vessel's eco-efficient technology, the once-in-a-lifetime experiences that our dedicated and passionate team will provide, and the superior comfort that the *Ocean Albatros* affords our passengers, we are confident that we are offering our guests an adventure of a lifetime, while also ensuring the sustainability of this remarkable region.”

Faroe Island to develop shorex

THE Port of Runavik in the Faroe Islands is opening up a number of exclusive destinations for small and expedition ships.

The authority is working with locals to develop different experiences, which includes getting people to open their houses to cruise passengers.

“We are really thinking about social sustainability,” Head of Cruise Rannva Troest said.

“We are working with four operators to influence and develop tours within our community.

“We have 15 villages in the Municipality of Runavik and we wish to keep the passengers in our area.”

Troest said communication is key for the destination in expanding its shore experiences.

“It is important for social sustainability that, for example, the port, the municipality, the cruise line, the port agent, the tour operator and the locals all work together.”

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