Cruising into 2024

Whether voyaging the seven seas, or selecting iconic ports, these four cruise liners have curated the most incredible suites and itineraries for adventurers, first-timers and relaxed globetrotters on the trip of a lifetime

AMAZON CRUISE ABOARD SEABORN PURSUIT IN A PENTHOUSE SUITE

A beautiful educational journey aboard Seabourn Pursuit meanders down the mighty Amazon, crossing paths with sloths, howler monkeys, cayman, birds and squirrel monkeys in flooded Forests and blackwater tributaries

Seabourn Pursuit is designed and built for diverse environments to PC6 Polar Class standards and includes modern hardware

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and technology that will extend the ships' global deployment and capabilities. It carries two custombuilt submarines, 24 Zodiacs, kayaks, and a 24-person expert expedition team whose role is to engage guests throughout each voyage

All Penthouse Suites feature a comfortable living area; private veranda; queen-size bed or two twin beds; walk-in closet; personal safe; interactive TV with music and movies; fully stocked bar and refrigerator; writing desk with

personalised stationery; makeup vanity; spacious bathroom, separate tub and shower, plush robes, slippers, luxury health and beauty products

The custom-built submarines are the ultimate luxury perk on the ultimate luxury expedition ships: a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to

Below: The ultra-luxurious Seabourn Venture - sister ship to the Pursuit - in calm waters is a brand new innovative design, with 132 ocean suites

witness the wonders of the ocean floor – the deeper one explores beneath the ocean's surface, the more unique the scenery becomes. and the more secrets the sea reveals, from incredible sunken shipwrecks to stunning coral reefs to unique marine wildlife normally hidden from human view 35-Day From The Amazon To The Antarctic (Manaus, Brazil to Buenos Aires, Argentina) 21 October - 25 November, 2024, from US\$23.700 seahourn.com



MEDITERRANEAN VOYAGE IN A SEVEN SEAS SPLENDOR REGENT SUITE

One of the more traditional cruise options, for the greatest variety in a manageable proximity and time allocation, is the Mediterranean. The winner of Oceania's Best Cruise Line award in the 2022 World Cruise Awards, Regent Seven Seas offer choices from 7 to 28 nights on their 750-passenger Splendor. Eye-popping marble, crystal and other bespoke design elements set the tone for this ultra luxurious experience, with the 4,043-square-foot Regent Suite topping the bill.

Featuring two bedrooms (the master bedroom boasts a Savoir horse-hair mattress), two private balconies (combining to add another 1,417 square feet), hot tub, two-and-a-half marble- and stoneswathed baths, a private solarium and three walk-in closets.

Guests can hire a pianist to perform on the suite's custom

Steinway piano, relax in cashmere blankets, refresh with Guerlain or Bottega Veneta toiletries and complimentary Canyon Ranch spa treatments, and ring the butler for anything else.

Above: A Regent ship on its Scandanavian tour, moored in Molde, Norway Below: A spacious Penthouse suite aboard the Seabourn Pursuit In port, there is a private car and driver for complimentary exclusive sightseeing, and on sea days, there are hands-on classes in the Culinary Arts Kitchen, a comprehensive fitness centre, and fine cuisine in eight restaurants.

24 to 31 October 2024, from Rome to Athens from US\$38.126 per person.

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WORLD VOYAGE IN A CUNARD GRAND SUITE ON OUEEN MARY 2

Cunard have been sailing around the world for more than 100 years; and in 2024 the Queen Mary 2 will embark on a stunning 108-night World Voyage, visiting Europe, Africa, and Australasia, carrying 2,691 quests.

The 1,132ft Queen Mary 2 is a remarkable flagship, with style, elegance and luxurious space creating an incredible sense of freedom. For complete relaxation in her vast library or onboard spa, to enthralling entertainment, adventurers can discover remarkable craftsmanship in elegant staterooms and suites, savouring her many sumptuous restaurants and bars.

An exclusive world of luxury exists in the Queens Grill Suites, with bold, striking colours, designed to the highest standards, epitomising refined accommodation. With Penhaligon's toiletries to choose from, >



make for an unforgettable voyage across vast oceans to destinations on six continents.

From Ft. Lauderdale, discover faraway lands in the South Pacific and Asia. Witness ancient wonders from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea. Explore the British Isles and the rugged beauty of the far north, intriguing cities with overnights in Istanbul, Singapore, London and more.

Viking's small, modern ocean ships are elegantly designed for discovery and comfort.

Each sister ship is identical and features all veranda staterooms, serene Scandinavian spaces and light-filled public areas.

180-day Viking World Voyage from US\$80,958 vikingcruises.com ■



luxury robes and slippers, speciality tea and coffee service, complimentary mini-bar, and the option to dine in at any time and the service of an attentive butler and steward – one of 1,173 crew – who are on hand to ensure all the finer details are taken care of. World Voyage 26-47 days; Southampton (UK) to Sydney with 11 stops across Europe, Africa and Australia. Queens Grill Suites, from US\$19,799 per person cunard.com/en-us/cruise-ships/queen-mary-2/9

Above: Cunard's *QM2* in Hamburg Above right: Portofino Right: A luxury Cunard bedroom

VIKING WORLD CRUISE IN A EXPLORERS SUITE

The small-ship-experts offer a more intimate experience, with world cruises and grand voyages from 27 days to 180 days, with new Viking World Voyage (including free business class air travel) featuring 83 tours across 37 countries over six months.

Achieve countless milestones on an epic World Cruise visiting the world's most iconic cities and lesser known towns. Equally rewarding yet shorter, Grand Voyages combine two or more itineraries on one seamless journey. Their signature cultural immersion, destination insights and great value

