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# Luxury Showcase

Agent networking evening

26th September Harrogate & 27th September Nottingham

Agents, we invite you to join the Travel Bulletin team and leading luxury suppliers at one of our informative and engaging events. With a combination of presentations & networking, we will provide the opportunity to discover the paradise that is luxury holidays. From remarkably unique hotels to once in a lifetime experiences, you will master how to deliver your clients their dreams.

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**7:30 PM**

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**8:15 PM**

Product Quiz &  
Free Prize Draw  
**9:15 - 9.30 PM**

To confirm your place at one of these amazing events, email the name, company and contact details by **Wednesday 21st September 2022** to: [events@travelbulletin.co.uk](mailto:events@travelbulletin.co.uk) or Telephone: **020 7973 0136**

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FAREHAM HAS been revealed as the UK's cruise booking hotspot, according to [cruise.co.uk](http://cruise.co.uk), as part of a study which covered all bookings the cruise specialist has made in 2022. The Hampshire town's local population has booked more cruise holidays per head this year than the residents of any other town or city.

Fareham is located in between Southampton and Portsmouth, two of the most popular cruise ship hubs, meaning its inhabitants have a wealth of holiday-at-sea options on their doorstep.

In second place, and similarly situated on the south coast, is the Dorset town of Christchurch. The town is equally well-served by the nearby ports of Southampton, Portland and Poole.

In third place is Southampton itself. The city boasts the busiest cruise port in the UK, with five terminals handling around 1.7mn passengers per year. It is home to major lines such as P&O Cruises, Cunard, Royal Caribbean and Celebrity.

But fourth and fifth place saw a

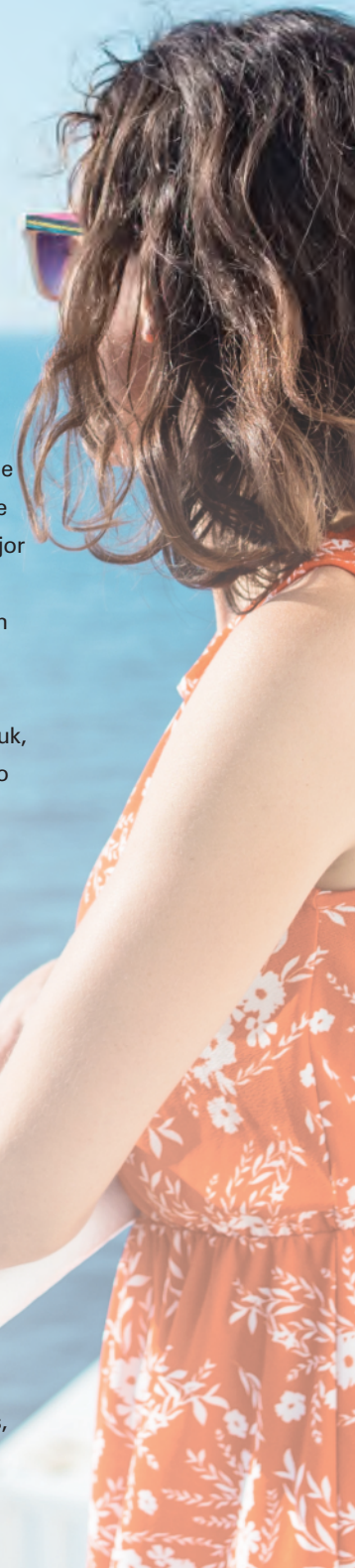
move up the country to two northern towns.

Barnsley appeared next on the list, despite being situated in the heart of England. Its closest major cruise port is Liverpool, over a two-hour drive away. Chorley, in Lancashire, sat in fifth place.

Tony Andrews, deputy managing director of [cruise.co.uk](http://cruise.co.uk), said: "Perhaps it's no surprise to see three south coast locations making up our most popular booking hotspots with so much choice on their doorstep, and with the appeal of seeing so many wonderful ships regularly sailing by..."

"The popularity of a cruise among Barnsley and Chorley locals is less obvious, but clearly there is significant demand to holiday at sea, even in areas with no apparent coastal connection. Interestingly, both towns regularly appear in our annual top 10 booking hotspots, so this is part of a marked trend rather than a one-off."

[www.cruise.co.uk](http://www.cruise.co.uk)



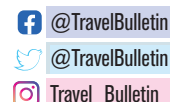
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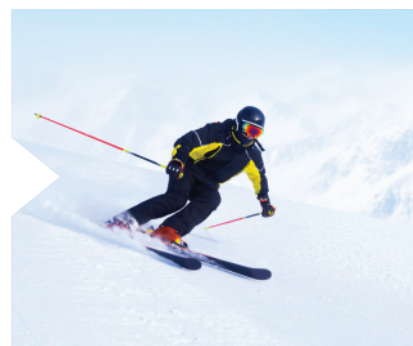


## Inghams launches winter 2022/23 ski breaks

INGHAMS HAS launched its 'Winter 22/23 Ski Holidays' collection, with 44 new properties across 25 ski resorts in Italy, Switzerland, Canada, France, Lapland and Austria. One example of the

holidays on offer is seven nights at the Hotel Chalet du Lys, Gressoney, Italy. Flying on January 8, 2023 from Manchester, it's priced from £969 per person, based on two adults sharing, with flights and transfers included. As

well as the ski packages, all available to book with a deposit of £150 per person, guests can book a lift pass with Inghams and receive half-price ski hire or carriage on all Inghams charter flights. [www.ingham.co.uk](http://www.ingham.co.uk)



### See the world by rail with Ffestiniog Travel

FFESTINIOG TRAVEL launches its 2023 'Rail Holidays of the World' escorted tour collection. 'Plane then Train' tours enable travellers to see more of a country at ground level.

Maria Cook, general manager, commented: "As

we emerged from the pandemic in 2022 we focused more on offering a choice of tours to destinations in the UK and Europe as people tentatively returned to travelling again..."

Itineraries start from £1,725. [www.ffmpegiogetravel.com](http://www.ffmpegiogetravel.com)

## British Airways launches first-ever direct flight to Aruba

BRITISH AIRWAYS is launching Aruba's first-ever direct scheduled flight to the UK.

Departing from London Gatwick, flights will begin operating in March 2023 on the Boeing 777-200 aircraft, and is available for customers to book now. This brings the number of Caribbean destinations served by British Airways to 17. The flight will be tagged with Antigua and will depart LGW on Thursdays and Sundays.

[www.britishairways.com](http://www.britishairways.com)





## Jet2.com and Jet2CityBreaks expand winter 2023/24 programme

A CHOICE of eight city break destinations have gone on sale for winter 2023/24, as part of Jet2.com and Jet2CityBreaks' winter programme.

Breaks are available to Athens, Barcelona, Budapest, Krakow, Paris, Prague, Rome, and Venice. Two new city routes, London Stansted to Athens and Rome, are on offer, along with additional services to Athens from Manchester Airport.

[www.jet2holidays.com/city-breaks](http://www.jet2holidays.com/city-breaks)



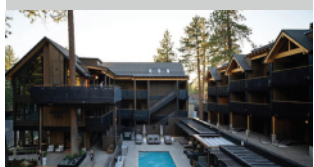
### HOTEL BITES



NOKU HOTELS has announced the opening of Noku Phuket. It marks the fourth Noku property after Noku Kyoto, Noku Osaka, and Noku Maldives. The resort sits on a hilltop away from the bustle of the city, 45 minutes from Phuket International Airport.



SHINTA MANI Hotels, owned and operated by HMD Asia, is set to open the Shinta Mani Mustang – A Bensley Collection, on March 1, 2023. This will mark Shinta Mani Hotels' first internationally-flagged property outside of Cambodia.



SOUTH LAKE Tahoe has welcomed the new eco-luxury micro-resort, Desolation Hotel. Comprised of 21 luxuriously-appointed suites, each offer al fresco soaking tubs on private balconies.

## G Adventures is back on the waters of Antarctica

G ADVENTURES is welcoming its 'little red ship', G Expedition, back to the waters of Antarctica, with savings for travellers looking for the ultimate bucket list expedition.

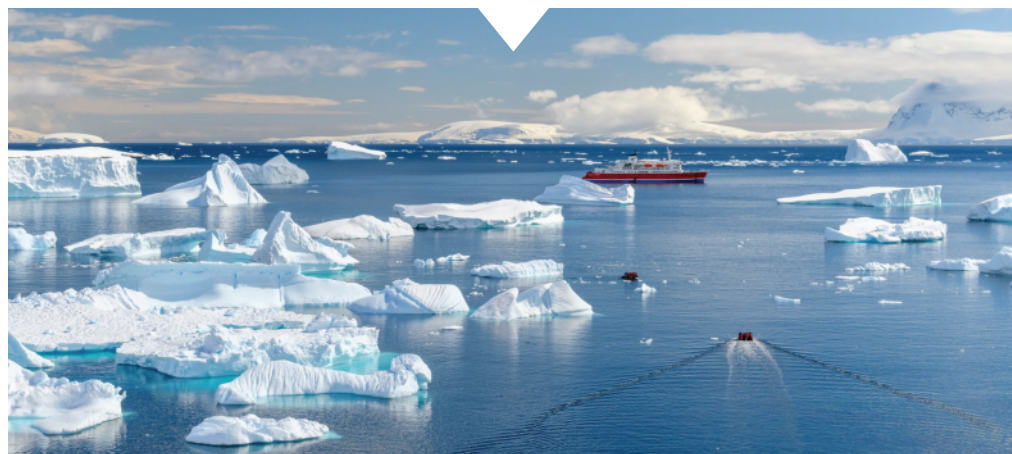
The ship is returning for its first season in two and a half years, with a number of expeditions on offer.

Sailings include a 11-day adventure through the South Shetland Islands and the Antarctic

Peninsula, with savings of 20% when booked by September 29, 2022. Prices start from £5,039 per person, departing on March 13, 2023.

'Antarctica Classic In-Depth' is a more comprehensive 13-day sailing, with two extra days in the Antarctic Peninsula, with prices from £4,419 per person.

[www.gadventures.com](http://www.gadventures.com)



## Set sail with Fred. Olsen from £749

FRED. OLSEN Cruise Lines is offering guests free door-to-door transfers or an all-inclusive drinks package on a selection of 2023 itineraries, with sailings starting from £749 per person.

Running until October 31, 2022, more than 80 itineraries of 16 nights or fewer are included in the offer.

[www.fredolsen.com](http://www.fredolsen.com)

## JG Travel Group launches Circus coach breaks

THE JG Travel Group has unveiled a new coach break to see 'Circus 1903' in London, through Omega Breaks and National Holidays.

Customers will enjoy a circus of old, with regional departures and a night's bed-and-breakfast accommodation included. Prices start from £139 per person.

[www.omegabreaks.com/agents](http://www.omegabreaks.com/agents)

[www.nationalholidays.com/agents](http://www.nationalholidays.com/agents)

## Brightwater Holidays launches festive trips

AHEAD OF the festive season, coach tour operator Brightwater Holidays has launched its biggest-ever collection of Christmas and New Year holidays for 2022, which includes nine itineraries and one 'Experience Day'.

The tours span UK departures and continental adventures, with savings of up to £75 per person available when booking by September 30, 2022.

[www.brightwaterholidays.com](http://www.brightwaterholidays.com)





# AGENT INSIGHT

## CLARE HYATT

### TRAVEL COUNSELLORS

I HAVE been working in travel for some 30 years, 20 of which I've spent providing personalised advice to my customers on the very best of itineraries, cruise lines, ships, and stay destinations to suit their interests, needs and preferences.

Over the past few weeks, the volume of cruise enquiries and demand for cruise bookings have been higher than ever. In particular, I have been helping so many new to cruise customers select a cruise holiday over their villa or holiday package that they would usually choose.

The increase in demand for cruise holidays over the last few weeks has been especially popular among couples who have never cruised before. Many of the cruises I've booked have also been last-minute bookings. The last-minute deals recently available have certainly enticed a number of new to cruise customers, as sometimes the all-inclusive elements of a cruise can provide more value for money compared with a UK hotel stay.

As well as new to cruise, I have been booking many bucket-list cruises with exciting itineraries comprising the Northern Lights, Antarctica, Norwegian Fjords, Hawaii and Alaska.

Cruise enquiries always come in all shapes and sizes. An interesting one for me this week was for a cruise which would go to the 'Death in Paradise' filming location in Guadeloupe for a new customer's special birthday celebration. I found the perfect stay and cruise voyage that would fit the bill out of Pointe-à-Pitre, so that they could spend time there for a few days and then sail out on their first ever week-long Caribbean cruise.

*For more on river and ocean cruising, turn to page 19.*



## Riviera Travel announces Star Clipper voyage

A NEW one-off Star Clipper cruise will take to the French Riviera and Corsica in 2023. The 10-day itinerary will depart on August 11, 2023, and will call at Cannes, St Tropez, Calvi, Ajaccio, Bonifacio, Bastia, Portoferraio, and Civitavecchia.

En route, cruisers will enjoy overnight stays in Nice and Rome.

Prices start from £2,599 per person, including return flights from a choice of regional airports, full breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and à la carte dinners while onboard.

[www.rivieratravel.co.uk](http://www.rivieratravel.co.uk)

## News Bites

- JAPAN OPENED its doors for non-guided package tours on September 7, 2022, following the removal of PCR testing requirements. Daily admissions rose from 20,000 to 50,000 as a result. [www.japan.travel](http://www.japan.travel)
- AZAMARA HAS revealed new European itineraries for 2024 aboard its four-ship fleet. [www.azamara.com](http://www.azamara.com)
- ST LUCIA has removed all Covid-related travel and mask restrictions. [www.stlucia.org](http://www.stlucia.org)



HENLLE HALL has joined Hoseasons' 'Magnificent' collection, a group of luxury properties showcasing the high-end luxury on offer across the UK. The accommodation comprises clusters of superior lodges, treehouses, and pods, tucked away in 17 acres of parkland surrounding the historic Henlle Hall.

[www.hoseasons.co.uk/magnificent](http://www.hoseasons.co.uk/magnificent)



## AGENT INCENTIVES

- THE ANTIGUA and Barbuda Tourism Authority and Elite Island Resorts have teamed up to offer agents places on a mega fam this December. The winning agents will enjoy an action-packed itinerary on each 'AND' element, from 'Enjoy Carnival', 'Stunning Island', 'Gorgeous Beaches' and 'Gourmet Lobster'. To enter, agents must make a booking to any of the Elite Island Resort properties in Antigua and send bookings to [antiguaukfam@visitaandb.com](mailto:antiguaukfam@visitaandb.com)
- EARN DOUBLE Wu Breakaways points throughout September with any bookings made via Wendy Wu Tours' agent website. [www.wendywu.com/agents/login](http://www.wendywu.com/agents/login)
- MAKE ANY Cosmos, Globus or Avalon booking by September 30, 2022 to automatically go into a draw to win a £1000 cash prize. The more bookings agents make, the more entries into the prize draw they earn.
- AGENTS CAN earn up to 30 reward points on new bookings made with Silversea Cruises throughout September, applicable on all 2023 voyages. The points are redeemable on all qualifying voyages sailing in 2023, and must be confirmed between September 1 and 30, 2022. Along with the luxury cruise line's existing commissions, there is no limit to the number of bonuses to be earned throughout the month. [www.silverseaagentsrewards.com](http://www.silverseaagentsrewards.com)
- APT'S 'TIME to Escape' September incentive offers trade partners the chance to win one of two Travelmarvel cruises, with all bookings made automatically entered.

# AGENT BULLETIN



**NATIONAL HOLIDAYS** took to the road to celebrate the launch of its new Christmas brochure. Trade sales manager Claire Dutton visited Hays Travel HQ in Sunderland, here with commercial manager Abbie Harmison, to give them a sneak peek and discuss all the operator's latest products.

## Travelbulletin COMPETITION

**Win an Australian hamper filled with wine and delicious gourmet treats with Anzcro!**

Find out more at [www.travelbulletin.co.uk/competitions](http://www.travelbulletin.co.uk/competitions)

## AGENT TRAINING

- THE LATEST episode of Railbookers' webinar, 'Discover the USA By Rail', is available to stream on the operator's website. The 30-minute episode covers all the easy-to-rail destinations, including Chicago, the Grand Canyon, and iconic cities along the West Coast. [www.railbookers.co.uk](http://www.railbookers.co.uk)
- TAKE THE Malta Training Programme to be entered into a monthly prize draw for a £50 Amazon voucher or Maltese gastronomy goodie bag. The more courses taken, the more entries agents will earn. Courses cover the UNESCO-listed capital of Valletta, eclectic festivals on offer, and LGBT+ friendly highlights. [www.malta-training.com](http://www.malta-training.com)
- CLAIM COMPLIMENTARY entrance passes to Kennedy Space Center when completing the UK Travel Agent Programme. The course covers all about the out-of-this-world attraction. [www.travelbulletin.co.uk/travelgym/destination-training](http://www.travelbulletin.co.uk/travelgym/destination-training)
- COMPLETE A short course on the Sultanate of Oman to become a certified Oman Ambassador. The course covers the landscapes, beaches, mountains, and everything in between. [www.travelbulletin.co.uk/travelgym/destination-training](http://www.travelbulletin.co.uk/travelgym/destination-training)
- PRINCESS CRUISES' dedicated agent site hosts a world of information, streamlining Princess Cruises bookings. Key features include 10-15 minute modules, the POLAR ONLINE booking module, a live webchat, events, competitions, and incentives. [www.onesourcecruises.com](http://www.onesourcecruises.com)
- SANDOS SMART Agents is the new travel programme from Sandos Resorts, giving trade partners all the information they need to become certified Sandos specialists. The portal includes online training, a new rewards system, in-depth information on the brand's hotels and resorts, and the latest offers. [www.sandosmartagents.com](http://www.sandosmartagents.com)





**Andy Harmer, managing director of CLIA UK & Ireland, talks about this year's CLIA Cruise Week 2022, and what agents can expect at the annual event.**

WE ARE eagerly anticipating CLIA Cruise Week 2022, which will take place from September 23 to October 2 this year.

Our annual event will see a host of trade-friendly cruise initiatives and information made available for agents.

The whole concept of Cruise Week is to showcase cruise to holidaymakers who have yet to step foot on an ocean



# INDUSTRY *insight by...*



or a river cruise ship.

With continued investment in new ships, new itineraries and new experiences, there is a cruise for every customer, budget and occasion, and Cruise Week is a chance to talk about just some of those holiday options that are available.

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this is where our shared voice will help – with customer events, media stories and social media, we all have a chance

to make a difference.

This year's theme will be 'Get Onboard', and we're looking for as many agents as possible to get involved. Here's just a small sample of what we have lined up:

- A host of social media activities, with shareable content and a particular focus on cruise destinations.
- A special Cruise Week pack being shared with all CLIA members.
- Exclusive cruise line deals for the trade, which will be published in the membership area of the CLIA website.
- Updating the #LoveCruise page of our website, which offers a practical checklist of the ways in which agents can capitalise on Cruise Week and their CLIA membership.
- Competitions and incentives for agents.

Please do stay tuned to our social media channels, and other communication platforms. There is so much positivity and enthusiasm in our industry, and Cruise Week is timed perfectly to help you generate even more customer interest, engagement and enquiries!

For more, visit [www.cruising.org](http://www.cruising.org). To join the conversation on social media, use the hashtags #CLIAcruiseWeek and #LoveCruise



SUDOKU

## WIN A £20 M&S VOUCHER IN THE *Travel* bulletin SUDOKU PRIZE PUZZLE

Fill in all the squares in the grid so that each row, column and each of the 3 x 3 squares contains the digits 1-9. Once you have completed the puzzle, simply identify the numbers that relate to the letters, A, B, C and D then e-mail the solution, with your name, company name, and full postal address plus phone and ABTA number if applicable to:

**competition@travelbulletin.co.uk**

Closing date for entries is Thursday, September 29th. Solution and new puzzle will appear in the next issue.

**The winner for September 2 is Judith Nixon from Premier Travel.**

**September 2 Solution: A=4 B=7 C=9 D=8**

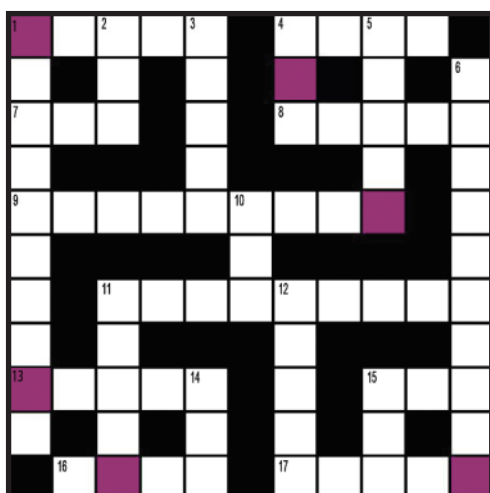
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WHERE AM I?

This American city is the secondmost populated in its state, and recently saw the reinstatement of British Airways' direct service from London Heathrow, with return fares from £505 per person... an absolute steel!

FILL IN THE CROSSWORD TO REVEAL THE MYSTERY LOCATION HIGHLIGHTED BY THE PINK SQUARES.



### Across

- Royal Caribbean ship, \_\_\_\_ of the Seas (5)
- Superman's wife (4)
- Welsh journalist, presenter, and newsreader, \_\_\_\_ Edwards (3)
- River between Devon and Cornwall (5)
- London Square named for a famous battle (9)
- Lancashire resort, featured in the TV drama, The Bay (9)
- Carrier with HQ in Atlanta (5)
- Brazilian city, in short (3)
- Founder of the Disney empire (4)
- Chef Rick, known for his seafood restaurants (5)

### Down

- Australian born MasterChef judge (4,6)
- Warsaw Chopin airport code (3)
- Capital of Tibet (5)
- Carrier with a hub at 2 Down (3)
- City on Turkey's Aegean coast (5)
- Capital of Barbados (10)
- Comedian \_\_\_\_ Mack (3)
- Historic island in the Med (5)
- Red Funnel operate to and from this port (5)
- Cruise company owned by the McGeary family (3)
- Scenic East Sussex town, sounds like an alcoholic drink (3)

CROSSWORD

Mystery Word: JORDAN

Across: 1 JEWEL, 4 LOIS, 7 HUW, 8 TAMAR, 9 TRAFALGAR, 11 MORECAMBE, 13 DELTA, 15 RIO, 16 WALT, 17 STEIN.  
Down: 1 JOHN TORODE, 2 WAW, 3 LHASA, 4 LOT, 5 IZMIR, 6 BRIDGETOWN, 10 LEE, 11 MALTA, 12 COWES, 14 APT, 15 RYE.



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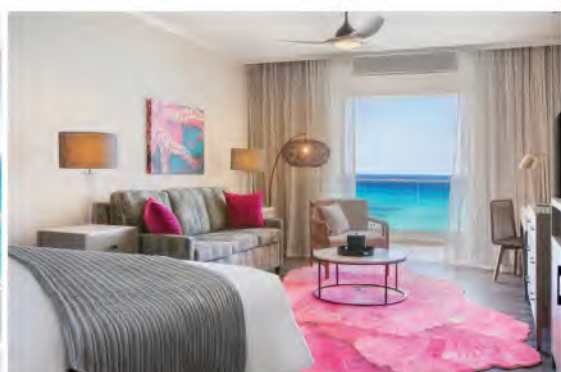
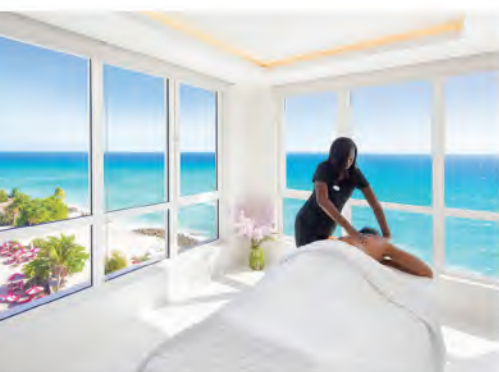


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## SAVE AT SANDALS

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AGENTS CAN save their clients £150 on Caribbean getaways of 10 nights or more with Unique Caribbean Holidays Ltd. (UCHL)'s sale, ending at midnight on October 13, 2022.

Holidays are on sale and available to book from 2022-2025, with a range of

room categories, travel dates and durations available. Clients can choose from 20 resorts in eight stunning Caribbean islands including the brand-new Sandals Dunn's River Resort in Jamaica which opens May 24, 2023. Flight upgrades are also available.

One highlight of the sale includes a 10-night stay for two people at Sandals Grande Antigua Resort & Spa staying in a Caribbean Honeymoon Grande Luxe Poolside Room. This costs from £2,599 per person. The price includes Luxury Included (all-inclusive) accommodation,

return economy class flights with British Airways from London Gatwick Airport and resort transfers. The price is valid for select departure dates in June 2023.

Prices are guaranteed at the time of booking, regardless of departure dates, and are secured with a £175 per person deposit. Package holidays are ATOL- and ABTA-protected. All Sandals and Beaches Resorts are 'Luxury Included' (all inclusive) so your clients do not need to worry about exchange rates or spending money.

[www.sellingssandals.co.uk](http://www.sellingssandals.co.uk)

### The best of Barbados and Bequia

EXSUS TRAVEL is offering a two-week package rate, including a complimentary dinner for two at both the Coral Reef Hotel in Barbados and Bequia Beach Hotel in Bequia.

Clients can save £1,992 per person, with a 14-night stay from £6,975 per person, based on two adults.

Holidaymakers will spend seven nights at Coral Reef Club, followed by a week in Bequia Beach Hotel.

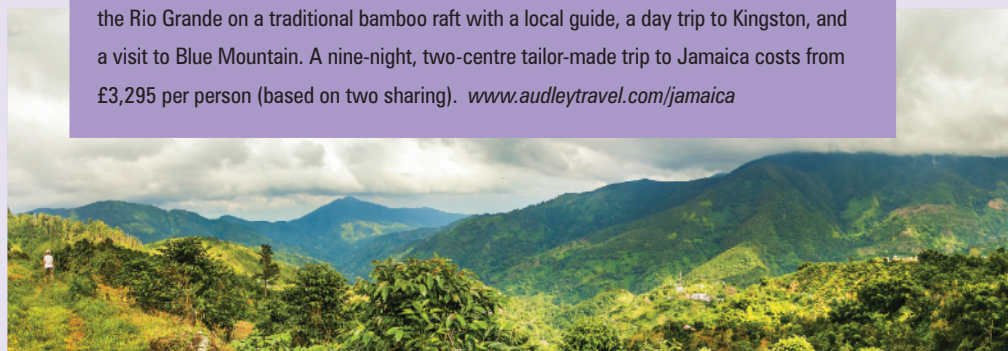
This is valid for stays from January 8 to April 15, 2023.

Call 020 7337 9010 to book.

### Jammin' Jamaica with Audley Travel

CLIENTS CAN spend four nights in Montego Bay with Audley Travel.

The tour on offer includes four nights at Port Antonio in the Blue Lagoon, floating along the Rio Grande on a traditional bamboo raft with a local guide, a day trip to Kingston, and a visit to Blue Mountain. A nine-night, two-centre tailor-made trip to Jamaica costs from £3,295 per person (based on two sharing). [www.audleytravel.com/jamaica](http://www.audleytravel.com/jamaica)







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## O2 Beach Club & Spa expands wellness offerings

BARBADOS' NEW luxury all-inclusive property, O2 Beach Club & Spa, has announced a variety of new wellness experiences, allowing guests to be their best self while relaxing in the Bajan sunshine.

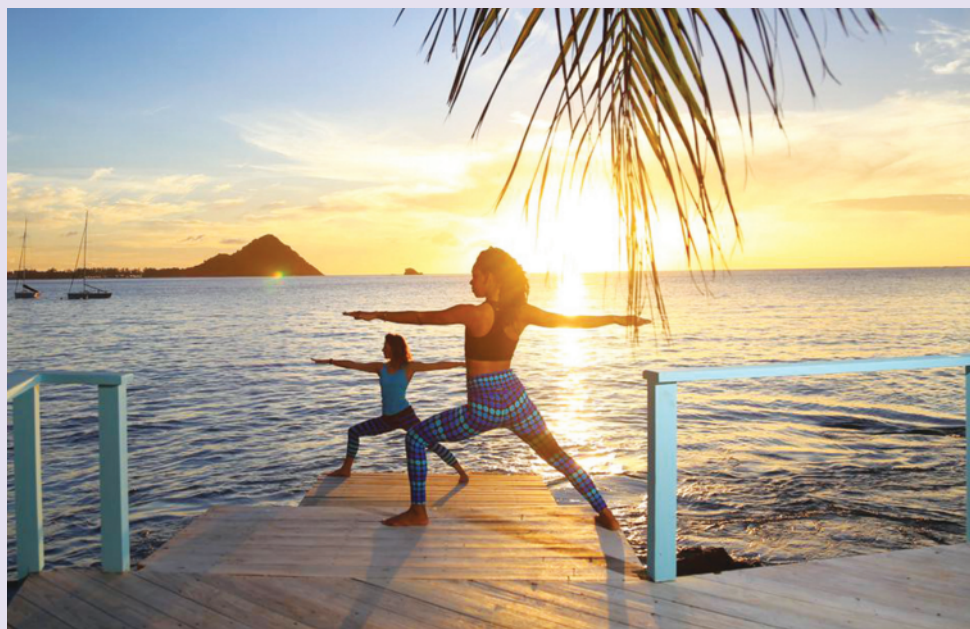
New spa treatments at the Acqua Spa, on the eighth floor of the resort's nine-storey tower, include 'Sea of Life'. This treatment offers OSEA's signature custom facial, combining custom cleansing and a restorative mask with 'Cranial-Facial' therapy. The treatment starts from £137 for a 50-minute experience, or £214 for an 80-minute treatment.

'Earth and Sea Scrub' is another new addition, with a full-body scrub featuring organic algae and sea salts harvested from around the world. This 50-minute treatment starts from £103.

'Ocean Skin Brightening Ritual' offers a brightening body scrub with a sea algae and clay body mask. The 80-minute treatment starts from £236 per person.

Seven nights at the five-star O2 Beach Club & Spa start from £2,699 per person, based on an Ocean View Junior Suite on an all-inclusive basis, including return flights from London Heathrow with Virgin Atlantic and private transfers. This price is based on an October 22, 2022 departure.

[www.caribtours.co.uk](http://www.caribtours.co.uk)



## Holiday St Lucia partners with Y7 Studio

WELLNESS-FUELLED RESORT BodyHoliday St Lucia has partnered with leading US Yoga company, Y7 Studio, to offer something special during a dedicated retreat from October 20 to 26, 2022.

Sessions throughout the resort's annual 'Yoga Month' in October will offer vinyasa

flow sets inspired by the Caribbean surroundings to journey meditation and 'Flip Your Perspective' workshops.

The retreat starts from approximately £3,473 per person in a Luxury Ocean View Room on an all-inclusive basis.

[www.thebodyholiday.com](http://www.thebodyholiday.com)



## Adults-only haven at The Abidjah by Accra

THE SLEEK, adults-only haven on Enterprise Bay, The Abidjah by Accra, offers a host of facilities to relax and unwind.

44 guestrooms are on offer, with each room type boasting a private balcony with a spa pool.

A seven-night, all-inclusive package with Blue Bay Travel starts from £1,899 per person, based on two people sharing, flying from London Heathrow. Price includes accommodation in an Island View Room, resort transfers and flights.

[www.bluebaytravel.co.uk](http://www.bluebaytravel.co.uk)



## Barbados Food & Rum Festival returns

BARBADOS, LONG known as the culinary capital of the Caribbean, is celebrating its 'Food & Rum Festival' from October 27 to 30, 2022. This year's festival offers up proceeds to the local community, funding students' culinary degrees and offering them the chance to study abroad.

The entire month will feature activities and events to enjoy, along with bolstered celebrations during the four-day festival.

[www.visitbarbados.org](http://www.visitbarbados.org)





## All in for Aruba with TUI

TUI IS offering its late summer promotion on holidays to the Dutch-Caribbean island of Aruba.

A seven-night holiday to stay in Divi Aruba, all inclusive, based on a September 28, 2022 departure date, is priced at £1,411 per person. TUI's Gatwick service will continue to operate weekly until October and then resume in May 2023. The direct flights will be operated by its Boeing 787 Dreamliner.

[www.tui.co.uk](http://www.tui.co.uk)



## Anguilla with ÀNI Private Resorts

ÀNI PRIVATE Resorts has unveiled plans for a second development in Anguilla.

The 15-suite estate will be located on Shoal Bay and feature a tennis court, a gym, an ÀNI Spa, a beach-fronted pavilion and private villa estates.

The resort offers agents 10% commission.

It marks the brand's fifth private retreat.

[www.aniprivateresorts.com](http://www.aniprivateresorts.com)

## Feeling inspired at the Jamaica Inn Hotel

INSPIRING TRAVEL is offering a stay at the Jamaica Inn Hotel.

The hotel offers motorised watersports, an Ocean Spa with cliffside saltwater pool and varied cuisine at the Terrace Restaurant. Jamaica Inn is also famous for its Turtle Conservation programme and, every summer, hundreds of Hawksbill turtles nest and hatch on the hotel's beach.

Inspiring Travel is offering 25% off accommodation plus US\$100 food and beverage credit.

Prices start from £2,165 per person based on two adults sharing a Balcony Suite for seven nights, including return economy class flights from London Heathrow and private transfers. This price is based on a June 18, 2023 departure.

The package is valid for travel completed between May 1 to October 31, 2023, if booked by February 28, 2023.



To contact Inspiring Travel's trade team, email [inspiringagentenquiries@itc-uk.com](mailto:inspiringagentenquiries@itc-uk.com) or call 01244 355 500.

## Antiguan exclusivity with Classic Collection

SITTING ON a secluded 100-acre hillside peninsula, the exclusive St James's Club overlooks two white sand beaches, ideal for suntan searchers and watersports enthusiasts.

A haven for couples and families, the all-inclusive property boasts classic Caribbean service and a wealth of activities for all ages to enjoy in a relaxed setting.

Accommodation includes rooms with direct beach access, royal suites with waterfront vistas and access to two

pools, or, for the utmost seclusion and space on breaks, villas on the hillsides.

The property boasts five restaurants, including Rainbow Garden, an ideal spot for all-day dining and afternoon teas, and Coco Beach, serving breakfast, Caribbean delicacies tapas style, and a la carte dishes.

Stays in Royal Spa Suites booked with Classic Collection Holidays include daily 45-minute spa treatments (excluding days of arrival and departure).

[www.classic-collection.co.uk](http://www.classic-collection.co.uk)





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## Cayman Islands say goodbye to travel restrictions

GOOD NEWS for travellers as the Cayman Islands Department of Tourism (CIDOT) has announced a significant update to its Covid-19 travel restrictions. Effective from August 24, 2022, all testing, vaccination status and registration requirements will be officially removed.

Hon. Kenneth Bryan, Minister of Tourism and Transport, said: "The new regulations are in keeping with the current global environment, and I am in full support of and welcome the removal of travel restrictions." [www.visitcaymanislands.com](http://www.visitcaymanislands.com)



## Carlisle Bay offers 30% rate reduction

ELEGANT RESORTS has put together a package offer for guests wanting to stay at their Carlisle Bay resort in Antigua.

Guests can stay for seven nights in a Ocean Suite with included bed-and-breakfast at a 30% rate reduction. Economy flights from London Heathrow with Virgin Atlantic and UK lounge passes are also included.

The offer is valid until December 21, 2022 and must be booked by September 30, 2022. [www.elegantresorts.co.uk](http://www.elegantresorts.co.uk)



## AMResorts showcase new luxurious beach resort

AMRESORTS COLLECTION has announced the new Secrets Tulum Resort and Beach Club that will open its doors to guests on June 30, 2023.

Offering an immersive 'Unlimited-Luxury' experience across the 16,000 sq ft complex, Secrets Tulum Resort and Beach Club will feature a plethora of upscale amenities, including the Secret Spa by Pevonia and a rooftop lounge with a swim-up bar and fire pit.

Other amenities include 301 elegant Preferred Club suites, five dining options, a range of unique culinary experiences, such

as wine pairing and gourmet cooking lessons, and multiple cenote pools at the heart of each building, with a number of them connected via a lazy river.

The resort also includes a private, full-service beach club where guests can enjoy the vibrant Tulum coastline.

Previously named Breathless Tulum Resort and Spa, Secret Tulum Resort and Beach Club underwent numerous branding changes to fit in with AMResorts Collection strategy to evolve and enhance guest experiences.

[www.amrcollection.com](http://www.amrcollection.com)

## Windstar Cruises set sail with new Caribbean voyages

WINDSTAR CRUISES has announced its new 'Beach Fun & Sun: A Remote Caribbean Getaway' package for winter 2023, which features seven days in some of the Caribbean's most picturesque islands, including St. Maarten, Antigua, St. Barts, Anguilla, Jost Van Dyke, Virgin Gorda and Tortola. The maiden

voyage on November 4, 2023, will take place aboard Windstar's all-suite Star Pride, while the other eight departures are onboard the 342-guest sailing yacht, Wind Surf.

Current all-inclusive prices start from £2,640 per person.

[www.windstarcruises.com](http://www.windstarcruises.com)



# NORTHERN LIGHTS PROMISE

Havila Voyages is offering its 'Northern Lights Promise' to cruisers, with free onboard credit on offer.



HAVILA VOYAGES has launched a new 'Northern Lights Promise'.

The new initiative means any guests booking a 12-day cruise along the Norwegian coast (Bergen-Kirkenes-Bergen) will be eligible for a free six- or seven-night voyage, if the natural

phenomenon doesn't appear during their trip.

The 'Northern Lights Promise' is valid for all departures from October 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023, and the replacement trip (if needed), will take place the following winter.

Havila has also announced an onboard credit offer, meaning that anyone booking a 12-day round trip by October 31, 2022 will also qualify for approximately £410 to spend onboard,

regardless of the cabin category booked.

The onboard credit offer is available for all departures until the end of December 2023.

Prices for the 12-day round trip start from £873 per person (based on two sharing, cruise only) in an inside cabin, for departures in November 2022.

*For more information on Havila Voyages and to book visit [www.havilavoyages.com/offers/northern-lights-promise](http://www.havilavoyages.com/offers/northern-lights-promise)*

## Celestyal Cruises eases COVID-19 protocols

CELESTYAL CRUISES has announced a relaxed COVID-19 policy.

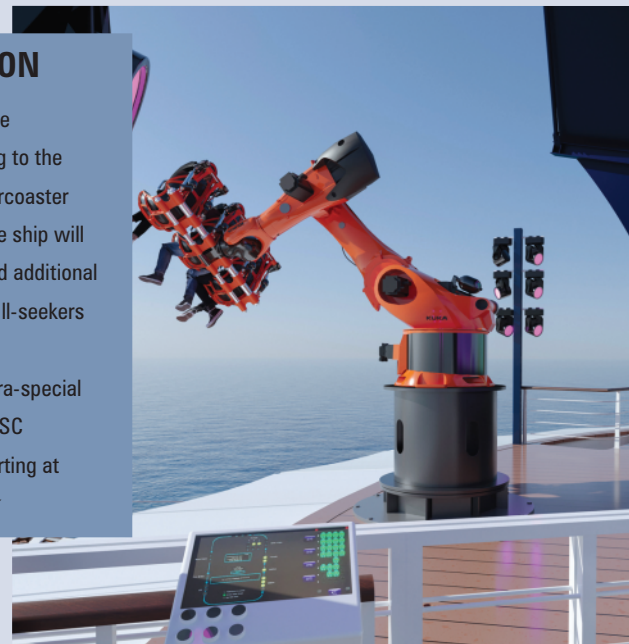
For all sailings, guests aged 12 years and above must continue to be fully vaccinated including proof of a booster. All guests are required to have a certified negative COVID antigen test taken no more than 48 hours prior to embarkation or a negative PCR test taken no more than 72 hours prior to embarkation, as opposed to the earlier requirement of the test being taken 24 hours prior to embarkation. Masks are also no longer required.

[www.celestyal.com](http://www.celestyal.com)

## MSC introduces ROBOTRON

MSC CRUISES' Seascope ship will feature ROBOTRON – an amusement ride coming to the seas for the first time, combining a rollercoaster with personalised music and lighting. The ship will also feature two new VR experiences and additional high-tech entertainment designed for thrill-seekers of all ages.

Guests wishing to experience this extra-special cruise and be the first to sail on board MSC Seascope can book now, with prices starting at £129 per person. [www.msccruises.co.uk](http://www.msccruises.co.uk)







## Silversea updates Covid-19 cruising requirements

SILVERSEA CRUISES is now welcoming all guests on board, regardless of vaccination status, providing local regulations permit their arrival.

Vaccinated travellers will not be required to take a Covid-19 test prior to boarding where regulations allow, while unvaccinated cruisers will be allowed aboard on the provision of a negative Covid-19 test result taken within 72 hours before boarding.

[www.silversea.com](http://www.silversea.com)



## NCL welcomes Norwegian Prima

NORWEGIAN CRUISE Line has christened its newest ship, Norwegian Prima.

The first ship in the Prima Class, the ship has capacity for up to 3,100 guests at double occupancy, and sailed its inaugural voyages to Northern Europe from the Netherlands, Denmark and England on September 3, 2022.

[www.ncl.com](http://www.ncl.com)

## Kids cruise from £99 and more from Ambassador

### NO-FLY SPECIALIST

Ambassador Cruise Line has unveiled two offers, giving guests the chance to bring little ones aboard from £99 per person.

The offer is applicable to two of Ambience's itineraries: 'Summertime Fjordland' and 'British Isles & Ireland Discovery'.

Ambience will set sail for seven nights from August 5, 2023 on 'Summertime Fjordland', which showcases Norway's fjordlands. The area is home of some of Scandinavia's most dramatic landscapes, from snow-capped peaks to scaling waterfalls. Adult prices start from £609 per

person, with children's fares from £99 per person.

'British Isles & Ireland Discovery' departs on August 12, 2023, for a 14-night voyage around the British Isles and Ireland. Spotlighting hidden gems

such as the Isle of Scilly, and the magic of the

'Emerald Isle', the cruise starts from £1,399 per person for adults and £99 per person for children.

[www.ambassadorcruiseline.com/fares-and-offers](http://www.ambassadorcruiseline.com/fares-and-offers)



## Seabourn unveils design details for its first expedition vessel

SEABOURN VENTURE, the luxury ocean and expedition cruise line's newest ship, recently embarked on its first voyage to Norway and the Arctic.

As guests stepped aboard on July 27, 2022, they were greeted with interiors designed in partnership with Tihany Design.

"We are so proud and delighted with Seabourn Venture and the creative energy and input of Tihany Design," said Seabourn president Josh Leibowitz.

"We asked them to create and present designs that would be world-class and to set a new standard for expedition travel."



The Expedition Lounge is the ideal spot for pre- and post-expedition relaxation. Next door, the Discovery Center, the ship's classroom, allows every guest to get an understanding of the natural and cultural history of their destinations.

Along with The Restaurant, an indulgent dining space, the casual Colonnade on Deck 5 is inspired by historic maritime design, packed with buffet stations and an aft deck with an infinity pool, two Jacuzzis, and a pair of sculptural showers. The ship's Spa & Wellness space integrates tree-inspired textures within a fitness center and yoga areas.

132 contemporary oceanfront suites await guests aboard Seabourn Venture, which is the first of two new purpose-built ultra-luxury expedition ships for Seabourn.

[www.seabourn.com](http://www.seabourn.com)





## Last minute Danube discounts, Seine savings and Rhine reductions with Amadeus

AMADEUS RIVER Cruises is offering last minute savings on a choice of itineraries, with up to £950 off a selection of Seine, Danube and Rhine sailings.

Places are available on voyages through until November 2022 from £950 per person.

A Seine itinerary, departing on October 26, 2022 aboard Amadeus Diamond, calls at Conflans, Rouen, Le Havre, Caudebec-en-Caux, Les Andelys, Vernon, and Mantes-la-Jolie. With savings of £650 per person available, the cruise is priced from £925 per person.

The Danube is on show with a pre-Christmas voyage, departing on November

28, 2022, ensuring guests are in the festive spirit. Cruising from Nuremberg to Vienna, via Regensburg, Passau, Melk, and Emmersdorf, the itinerary sails aboard Amadeus Star, with prices from £995 per person.

Do it all on a Rhine itinerary through Germany, France, and Switzerland aboard Amadeus Imperial. This itinerary includes a number of classic musical excursions, starting from £1,395 per person.

All prices include meals, wine with lunch and dinner, complimentary use of onboard bicycles, and port taxes.

[www.amadeus-rivercruises.co.uk](http://www.amadeus-rivercruises.co.uk)



## The rivers of Southeast Asia with Emerald Cruises

EMERALD CRUISES has unveiled its new 2023 & 2024 Vietnam, Cambodia and the Mekong river cruising brochure, with exclusive preview prices and culture-rich itineraries spanning Southeast Asia.

Guests stepping aboard these voyages will enjoy the luxury cruise experience aboard Emerald Harmony, a ship custom-built to sail into the heart of Ho Chi Minh City. With an 84-guest capacity, limited availability is on offer for the choice of itineraries.

Emerald Harmony boasts a relaxing Sun Deck, stylish Pool Deck, regionally-inspired Reflections Restaurant, a fitness and wellness area with a range of spa treatments, and a chic Lotus Lounge.

The new collection features a launch offer, running throughout the remainder of September 2022. Guests who book early will have the option to pick their favoured stateroom or suite and departure date, plus enjoy savings of up to £1,900 per couple and receive a free Premium Drinks package. Those who pay up to 12 months prior to departure will earn a 10% 'Super Earlybird' saving.

Explore the full collection at [www.emeraldcrises.co.uk](http://www.emeraldcrises.co.uk)



## Riviera Travel's two new guest offers

RIVIERA TRAVEL is enticing guests to spend less and live more with two new guest offers.

The first includes half price cabin upgrades on 2023 European river cruises departing in July, August, October and November when booking by October 31, 2022.

The second allows one in four guests to travel for free on new 2023 bookings made for groups of 12 or more by September 30, 2022.

[www.rivieratravel.co.uk](http://www.rivieratravel.co.uk)



## CroisiEurope confirms repositioning cruises from the Med to Morocco

THREE UNIQUE repositioning cruises will take CroisiEurope's luxury ocean ship, La Belle des Océans, from its summer home in the Mediterranean to the Moroccan coast, and onwards to the Canary Islands where it will operate for the winter season. The first will sail from Nice to Barcelona, calling in Port Mahon, Palma, and Ibiza en route. Departing on October 16, 2022, cruise-only prices start from £2,217 per person with all meals and drinks, onboard activities, and port fees. Onwards, the ship will sail from Barcelona to Malaga, via Roses, Palamós, Tarragona, and Cartagena. Prices start from £2,487 per person with the same inclusions, departing on October 22, 2022.

The final itinerary will see La Belle des Océans sail from Malaga to Arrecife, calling at Tangier, Casablanca, and Agadir en route. Prices start from £3,085 per person, departing on October 29, 2022.

[www.croisieurope.com](http://www.croisieurope.com)



## AmaWaterways unveils 'Heart of the River' brochure

AMAWATERWAYS IS spotlighting its river cruises in the new 2023 'Heart of the River' brochure.

River cruise inclusions in the new brochure offer up an exploration of seven rivers and 14 countries, and a Christmas sailing.

Savings of up to £1,500 per stateroom are available in celebration of the new brochure.

*Agents can order the brochure via Trade Gate or by contacting [agency.support@amawaterways.com](mailto:agency.support@amawaterways.com). [www.amawaterways.com](http://www.amawaterways.com)*

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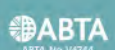
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