(nowelle lin





BRING ON BARCELONA

Book, sell, and sail on a winning getaway celebrating your success.

To show how much we appreciate all your support and hard work, we've got the perfect opportunity for you.

Get ready to Bring On Barcelona — an exclusive FAM trip awarded to only a handful of very lucky UK First Mates. It includes airfare to the vibrant city of Barcelona and a VIP 7-night Scarlet Lady sailing across the Mediterranean. It's the amazing experience you sell to your Sailors, and so much more.

WHAT'S WAITING FOR YOU

- Round-trip flights from London Heathrow/Gatwick to Barcelona.
- 7-night Irresistible Med sailing aboard Scarlet Lady
 05 May 12 May 2024.
- VIP access, Shore Things, exclusive Ibiza moments, and First Mate-only surprises.

HOW TO QUALIFY

- Bookings created between 01 January 2024 and 29 February 2024 and logged through the QR code below will be automatically entered into the grand prize drawing.
- Valid bookings are full voyage fare and Voyage Store bookings, only. Any reduced fare, promotional, FAM, or other voyage fare types are not valid towards your total.
- A valid passport and Spain entry requirements.



The Siving agents the edge

Sustainable Travel

Environmental experiences and eco accommodation are very much here to stay... but what's on offer?

MORE IN...

News

Keep up with the need-to-knows! Pg. 4

Agent Bulletin

The peaks incentives and training opportunities keep coming! Pg. 7

Australia & Pacific Islands

There's a land down under with a suite of trade-friendly options waiting to be booked. **Pg. 23**



Can cruise maintain its wave of momentum in 2024? CLIA boss Andy Harmer has some thoughts in this issue. Industry Insight (pg. 14)



SAVE UP TO £400 ON PACKAGE HOLIDAYS

In easyJet holidays' Big Orange Sale, you can say hello to savings of up to £400 off package holidays until 5th February. So, whether it's a fun-filled family getaway to the beach, or a five-star luxury getaway to the city, we can take you there for less.

We're also running some exciting Peaks incentives to help agents through this busy period...



Orange Aid

Our Trade Distribution Managers will be handing out 'Orange Aid' rescue packs with goodies.



The POP (Peaks Orange Prizes)

Chance to win daily prizes, plus a holiday up for grabs every week!



£5 cash per booking

Money paid per booking throughout the sale period.



The Big Juicy Fam trip

The chance to win a place on our first-ever Big Juicy Fam trip.





NEWS

The latest peaks and greatest offers from across the globe.



BULLETIN BRIEFING

Andy Harmer, UK&I director at CLIA discusses the continued momentum of cruising.



CRUISING

All the latest from the river banks to the shores.



SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL

Put the environment at the forefront with our top picks from the places that are making a difference.



AUSTRALASIA & PACIFIC

Head down under for the latest openings and one-of-a-kind tours.

IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL

It is out with short-haul and in for the long as booking data has revealed that holidays further afield are making up the top 10 wish list destinations for 2024.

BID GOODBYE to those summers spent in the Costa Del Sol and Fuerteventura and instead set your sights further afield as research conducted by Your Co-op Travel has found that long haul destinations now sit firmly at the top of traveller wish-lists.

Booking data for 2024 has found the average length of stay will be nine days, indicating that the post-pandemic holiday boom is continuing into the new year.

Barbados and the Maldives both feature in the top 10 most booked destinations for the first time in recent years, knocking shorthaul favourites out of the ranks.

Four new destinations enter the top 10 list for 2024, including USA multi-centre trips covering Las Vegas and New York, Dubrovnik and the Algarve.

The demand for cruises has also risen dramatically, with bookings up 56% in 2023 year-on-year. Short-haul cruises have been revealed as the third-most booked holiday type for this year, overtaking short-haul city

breaks for the first time since before 2022 as travellers are eager to embark on a different type of journey and discover something new.

Last year, the Norwegian Fjords topped the cruising charts, with a 46% year on year increase in bookings. Based on current booking figures, it looks to be in the running to do it again this year, with Norway, the Caribbean and the Canary Islands rounding out the top three.

Natalie Quiney, content and ecommerce manager at Co-op Holidays, commented on the figures, saying that "It is unsurprising to see cruises sailing up holidaymakers' wishlist, as with a host of on board amenities and the ease of discovering bucket list locations like the Norwegian Fjords or Caribbean Islands being accessible by sea, hopping on board a ship can be a great way to travel whether with friends or cross-generational groups."

Want all the latest news and offers from the highly popular sector? Head to our Cruising feature starting from page 15!



Published by : **Alain Charles Publishing (Travel) Ltd** University House, 11-13 Lower Grosvenor Place London, SW1W OEX Printed by: Buxton Press Subscriptions are £125 p.a. £195 overseas ISSN: 0956-2419 020 7973 0136



Showcase Calendar

Sign up to our showcases: www.travelbulletin.co.uk/events/agents





4th March **Escorted Tours** Showcase

Cheltenham





Cyplon's Grecotel showcase offers up complimentary four-night stays

THE MINI-BROCHURE included in this week's issue of Travel Bulletin spotlights Cyplon Holidays' offerings across the Grecotel Hotels & Resorts portfolio.

A range of hotels and beach & boutique resorts awaits discovery, guaranteeing Grecotel's signature blend of indulgent luxury and classic Greek

hospitality.

In celebration of Cyplon Holidays' status as a preferred partner of Grecotel Hotels & Resorts, you can earn four nights' complimentary accommodation at one of the Grecotel LUXME or allinclusive properties, subject to availability. www.cyplon.co.uk/holidays/hotelchains/grecotel





Triple Shine points on P&O Select Fare cruises

P&O's 'TRIPLE Points Like Never Before' incentive runs throughout January, applicable on all Select Fare cruises booked.

Points can be exchanged for a number of rewards, from high street vouchers to P&O Cruises holidays of

your own on the Shine Rewards Club platform.

A number of Select Price and Early Saver P&O Cruises holidays are securable with a 10% deposit when booking by March 4th, 2024. www.pocruises.com

Book Four & Go Explore' with APT's biggest-ever peaks incentive

SIGNATURE SAILINGS of your own and £30 Love2shop vouchers are available this peak period, running until March 4th, 2024.

Making four or more Travelmarvel bookings on the Mekong, Douro, Rhine or Danube will guarantee a host of rewards, with the chance to head aboard the MS Estrela on the Douro, newly-launched RV Apsara on the Mekong, Princess Eleganza in Croatia or a range of the Contemporary River ships on the Rhine or Danube.

Alongside the chance to sail yourself, £30 Love2shop vouchers are included with every booking made during the incentive period. To claim the reward, book four Travelmarvel sailings and submit your details and booking references on the APT & Travelmarvel claim form from the APT Agent Club.

www.aptouring.co.uk

Shearings

Let's enjoy the journey together

For fully escorted coach holidays, look no further!

WE'VE GOT YOUR CUSTOMERS COVERED!

Inside our

European brochure,

you'll find...

130+ fully escorted holidays from only £339pp

- River cruises, flowers and gardens breaks, solo traveller tours, all-inclusive holidays festive escapes and more
- Tours featuring Europe's sought-after destinations, such as
 Italy, Spain, France and Germany



Inside our

Britain & Ireland brochure,

you'll find...

130+ fully escorted holidays from only £269pp

- Weekend breaks, 8-day tours, rail experiences, heritage tours and more
- Holidays to destinations such as Eastbourne, York, the Lake District and Edinburgh



All of our fully escorted coach holidays include:

✓ Comfortable coach travel ✓ Hand-picked accommodation with breakfast
 ✓ Excursions ✓ Local joining points
 ✓ Porterage at the hotel



GET IN TOUCH TO ORDER YOUR BROCHURE SUPPLIES AND WINDOW POSTERS

ASHLEY DELLOW

HEAD OF RETAIL SALES

ashley.dellow@legershearings.com | 07818 454 450

Your customers will return happy!





"Excellent value for money.
Our coach driver was excellent,
helpful and very knowledgeable.
Would definitely use Shearings
again." — Joy



With our current prices LOCKED,

your customers know they're getting their holiday for the best price.

As an awardwinning company, your customers can trust us to provide

your customers car trust us to provide fantastic holiday experiences.





Our super-low £1pp deposits are BACK for a

limited time only

– don't let your
customers miss
out!

NEWS BULLETIN JANUARY 26 2024 | travelbulletin.co.uk

Radisson celebrates the key to recordbreaking success

RADISSON HOTEL Group wrapped up 2023 by celebrating a new company record, adding more than 30,000 keys to its international portfolio through new openings and signings. The



Group has grown its business by nearly 50% since its transformation in 2018. www.radissonhotels.com





RIVIERA TRAVEL has boosted its trade team

with the addition of Lloyd Morris, key account manager for the UK & Ireland.



TURKKA KUUSISTO has been appointed as

the CEO of Finnair and will begin his role in July 2024.



LUFTHANSA GROUP has welcomed new senior

director of sales for Northern Europe, Sven Thaler.



TURKISH AIRLINES has continued its route expansion strategy by adding Australia to its network. The airline will offer three flights per week from Istanbul to Melbourne from March 15th, 2024 via Singapore, and will mark Turkish Airlines' 346th global destination and 130th country served. The new flight path will open up Melbourne's access to European, Middle Eastern and Africa markets. www.turkishairlines.com

Journey off-the-radar for less

SATISFY YOUR client's sense of adventure for less this year as Journey Latin America has refreshed three of its Private Journey itineraries, offering travellers a better value for money as well as the opportunity to explore some of the region's off-the-radar locations.

The 12-day 'Value Costa Rica: The Essential Highlights' tour showcases the country's top attractions, including Tortuguero National Park and Monteverde Cloud Forest, with prices starting at £1,750 per person.

In Mexico, the 12-day 'Explore and Relax: Silver Cities to Pacific Coast' offers travellers the chance to explore the heart of the inner-cities for £3,830 per person, including first-class accommodation.

For those wanting to journey to one of the most remote locations on Earth, the 14-day 'Signature Antarctica: Highlights of the Antarctic Peninsula' is now on sale for £8,250 per person, including a full expedition cruise and a range of accommodation.

www.journeylatinamerica.com

Tourist numbers on the rise for Ras Al Khaimah

RAS AL Khaimah Tourism Development Authority (RAKTDA) has recorded its best-ever year for tourism, welcoming a record 1.22 million overnight arrivals in 2023, up 8% on 2022 numbers and boasting a significant 24% year-on-year increase in international visitors.

The impressive performance is underscored by RAKTDA's strategic growth plans, positioning Ras Al Khaimah as a 'destination of the future' with heightened investment in infrastructure, targeted initiatives and developing an ecosystem rooted in sustainability.

www.visitrasalkhaimah.com





Banyan Tree Group announces rebrand

CELEBRATING THREE decades of success, Banyan Tree Group has evolved its umbrella brand to 'Banyan Group' to reflect the Group's evolution into a multibrand hospitality provider. The Group has doubled its brand portfolio over five years and will continue to grow this year with 19 new openings.

www.groupbanyan.com

AGENT INCENTIVES

- YOU HAVE the chance to join HX on a fam trip to the Galápagos Islands when booking a HX Expedition voyage before March 31st, 2024. Agents qualifying will be entered into a prize draw, with 100 names drawn at random. www.HXexpeditions.com
- CYPLON HOLIDAYS' 2024 incentive brochure features £10 vouchers per adult booked on Gold package holidays (£10 for Silver tier bookings) and accommodation-only Gold and Silver bookings when bookings are worth £1,500 or more. For bookings over £5,999, a choice of free gifts are on offer, which can be exchanged for the equivalent in vouchers. Free stays are also included with select property bookings.
- ROYALTON RESORTS is offering up places on a fivenight fam to its Antiguan properties. Bookings made by April 30th, 2024 will count as entries into the prize draw. Tickets to Girls Aloud's comeback tour and £20 Amazon vouchers are on offer with select bookings.
 www.royaltonrewards.com
- £50 HIGH Street vouchers are on offer with all A-ROSA package bookings made by the end of February. www.arosacruises.co.uk
- 10 PLACES on board Scenic Eclipse are on offer. If you make three or more cruises aboard Scenic Eclipse I or Scenic Eclipse II by March 8th, 2024, you might just be in with a chance of winning: email three booking references to agencysales@scenic.co.uk to enter the prize draw. Triple River Rewards & More points (worth £60) are up for grabs with each booking, too. www.scenic.co.uk
- ALL CELESTYAL bookings made before February 29th include a £100 booking bonus, alongside 50% off all Celestyal Plus + packages. www.celestyal.com

AGENT BULLETIN

VISIT ORLANDO welcomed representatives from TUI, Virgin Holidays, Hays Travel, Travel Counsellors, Magic Breaks and more on a week-long fam trip to the theme park capital. Exploring Walt Disney World, Universal Studios Orlando, and SeaWorld Parks & Resorts in Orlando, the fam drew to a close with a networking member marketplace.



Three questions stand between you and a £100 shopping voucher, courtesy of SPL Villas!

Find out more at www.travelbulletin.co.uk/spl-villascompetition

AGENT TRAINING

DESTINATION TRAINING:

- FIND OUT what's new at New Smyrna Beach, and exactly why Brits continue to flood to the lush coastal spot an hour away from Orlando. £50 vouchers are up for grabs when completing three modules on the course. www.tourismgivesback.com/ courses-archive/nsb-insider/
- CONTENT AND tools to bolster your Qatar knowledge are on offer, with completion of the course's eight modules automatically entering you into a prize draw for a fam trip this year. www.qatarspecialist.lobsteraccess.com/selfregistration
- ALOHA! HAWAII know-how awaits. With the destination striving to boost its in-market presence, get one step ahead of anticipated demand and destination growth by completing the course now. www.agents.gohawaii.com

CRUISE LINE TRAINING:

 BOAT LOADS of knowledge awaits on Virgin Voyages' Seacademy: blending inside intel, education, marketing materials, and chances to join the cruise line on board for first-hand experience. www.travelbulletin.co.uk/virg in-voyage-travelgym

OPERATOR TRAINING:

- BECOME A certified Newmarket Achievement Award winner and pick up a whole host of knowledge on the Newmarket Holidays tour portfolio with its trade training platform. training.newmarketholidays.co.uk
- FIND OUT more about the AAT Kings collection, and earn places on fam trips and discounts on personal trips, by listening to the operator's A-LIST ACCESS podcast. Each episode is linked to product quizzes, elevating your reward tiers from 'Go-Getter' to ultimate 'A-LISTER' status. Register for the rewards programme and start tuning in at www.aatkings.com/alisters

NEWS BULLETIN JANUARY 26 2024 | travelbulletin.co.uk

The land of la dolce vita calls for Newmarket

TWO NEW tours have joined Newmarket Holidays' Italian offering, doubling down on efforts that have seen the destination become the operator's top-selling.

The first of the itineraries, 'Highlights of Italy: Venice to Rome', lives up to its name



with guided tours of Venice,
Padova, Bologna, Perugia,
Assisi and Rome, with time to
explore San Marino and
optional tours of the Vatican
City and Sistine Chapel among
other optional attractions. With
prices from £1,696 per person,
the tour includes flights; 10
breakfasts and five dinners;
and seven guided tours.

'Milan, Verona and Lake
Garda' is the slower-paced
second addition, soaking up
the landscapes and longstudied culture of the Northern
Italy cities included. Prices
start from £1,067 per person.

Richard Forde, the operator's head of trade sales, said
Newmarket is "delighted to be supporting agents with two new exciting tours that provide new ways of seeing this incredible country."

Both prices feature a 15% saving, available on bookings made by March 15th, 2024. www.newmarketholidays.co.uk/agents-area



VENICE HAS introduced a €5 entry fee to streamline entry and preserve the city's charm. The platform to pay the €5 day-tripper fee launched this month, encouraging visitors to make their payments before entry. The fee applies to select peak periods on certain days between April 25th to May 5th and, on weekends throughout May, June and July, from 8:30am to 4pm.

Just Go! Holidays enjoys 28% year-onyear trade business rise

IT HAS been a bumper peaks for Just Go! Holidays so far, with trade bookings up 28% year-on-year.

UK staycation bookings are up 23% yearon-year, with even more notable growth (42%) on continental breaks.

Five-day coach breaks are, so far, leading the way in terms of duration, enjoying a 35% rise in booking against the same two-week period in 2023. Claire Dutton, the operator's trade sales manager, explained that, over the last 12 months, the operator has "significantly grown awareness... through the trade" and conveyed that "it is so encouraging that it is paying off."

The wider JG Travel Group's 'Golden Ticket' incentive offers up agent places aboard one of Just Go!'s Northern Lights flights with random bookings during this peaks period. www.justgoholidays.com/agents

Zeus International extends European portfolio

ZEUS INTERNATIONAL Hotels and Resorts has acquired two new properties in Milan and Thessaloniki, as well as an office block in Athens, marking one of the portfolio's largest acquisitions to date.

The announcement is part of the group's ongoing expansion into privatelyowned hotels in Italy and Greece, and is a huge milestone for the brand's expansion into the European hospitality market. Zeus' European portfolio now sits at nine properties across southeast Europe.

www.zeus.international/





Wizzair reintroduces Tel Aviv service

FROM MARCH 1st, 2024, the airline's previously-suspended service to the Israeli city will return from Budapest, Bucharest, Sofia, London Luton, Krakow, and Rome.

Fares start at £31.99 for the London Luton service.

www.wizzair.com

WIN A £20 M&S VOUCHER IN THE WOULE IN 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, February 8^{th} . Solution and new puzzle will appear next week.

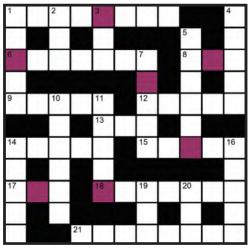
The winner for January 12th is Jane Savage, Your Co-op Travel.

January 12th Solution: A=3 B=4 C=5 D=8

A		9			8			1	
			1			4			1
	2	5	4		1		9		11
В	9					2	5		4
	8	2						7	1
C	7		6	5					9
			8		9		6	5	2
				7			1		
D		6			2			4	



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



Across

- 1 Airline sponsoring the FA Cup
- 6 European country
- 8 Title given to a knight
- 9 London hotel and theatre on the
- 12 Native name for Ayers Rock
- 13 Scottish seaside resort and race course
- 14 Popular Bali resort
- 15 Greeting often heard in Hawaii
- 17 Ontario international airport code
- 8 Belgium city, known as the diamond capital of the world
- 21 Capital of Bermuda

Down

- Lioness Mary, recently voted BBC Sports Personality of the Year
- 2 Douglas is the capital
- 3 Avignon, Provence airport code
- 4 Greek island, home to the beautiful Achilleion Palace
- 5 Former currency of Portugal
- 7 P&O cruise ship
- 10 Northeastern Italian region
- 11 Flows through Melbourne
- 14 Capital of South Korea
- 16 Colorado ski resort
- 19 Major travel and tourism company
- 20 Feeling hungry? Just ____ can deliver (3)

ANOSIAA :broW yrəteyM



SANDRA MURRAY

NORMANTON, YORKSHIRE

HAPPY NEW Year everyone and here's to lots of lovely bookings in 2024, I hope you had a good start to 2024!

I'd be interested to know how many agents send their clients cards for birthdays, Christmas and New Year. I used to send my customers Christmas cards and my staff would sign the cards to make it more personal. It was great when customers rang up and wanted to book again. I was chatting with Jonathan from Oakwood Travel and he told me a client he had sent an xmas card to had just rung up and made a £7,000 booking – not bad!

Customers used to say to me that they wanted to buy a holiday for someone (usually in the family) but didn't know what to get: I used to say they could buy a holiday voucher from us and then spend it in the shop on whatever they had chosen or put it towards a holiday that was popular. Clients like to think they are getting a good deal or bargain!

I think its going to be an interesting year for booking trends, people are changing from being in shops to being home workers of which there are more and more. I certainly think TV will continue to have an influence, river cruises are becoming more popular and programmes hosted by someone that is well known. I think people want new ideas and destinations. I also believe we should be doing more to let people know about the plight of extinct animals and also animals that aren't looked after properly – there are too many companies keeping animals and not treating them properly, they are just for profit.

Hot off the press: the 2024 Yorkshire ABTA Ball will be on Thursday July 18th, at the usual hotel: the Village Hotel (Junction 28 M62, South Leeds), I will be contacting tour operators next week with full details.

A happy and prosperous 2024 to everyone.



CALLING ALL the lovers, Amari Raaya Maldives has introduced a new package which offers a sanctuary of romance to the guests.

The 'Just the Two of Us' package is tailor-made for couples to create lasting memories together, whether it be for Valentine's Day, an anniversary or just a chance to bask in the love with a partner. The package includes a 60-minute couple's treatment in the spa, a professional photoshoot, a private sunset cruise, an intimate dinner under the stars and a room adorned with rose petals every night of the stay. The package is valid until May 31st, with prices leading in a US\$828 (approx. £655) per villa per night.

News Bites

- GRAB THOSE walking boots and hit the hikes as Corsican Places has put its 2024 walking tours on sale.
- AGENTS CAN learn what is under the sustainability spotlight on April 17th, 2024, as the Spanish Tourist Office has confirmed the return of Sustainability Day.
- THE SECOND week of January has saw the Advantage Travel Partnership hit a record-breaking number of sales, with bookings up 14% from the same period last year.



CONTINUING WITH its European expansion, Finnair is set to once again take its Helsinki to Tartu route to the skies. Aiming to expand its Estonian services to the European capital of culture, this new connection will take flight from March 31st, 2024, and will operate 12 times per week.

www.finnair.com

Jetset 9

TIME TO TRANSFER YOUR

LAS VEGAS

BUSINESS TO JETSET



PART 1 - FREE TRANSFERS IN VEGAS AS STANDARD!

PART 2 - NOW RELEASED

Tearing off a strip on private transfers!







BOOK BY 31 JAN '24



VOTED THE WORLD'S LEADING ALL-INCLUSIVE RESORTS

SAVE AN EXTRA £125 OFF YOUR CLIENTS' NEXT ALL-INCLUSIVE HOLIDAY

If the January blues are beginning to set in, we've got just the cure with the launch of the Sandals Sale. Your clients can save an extra £125 off their next all-inclusive escape on bookings as far in advance as 2026.

They can dive into a world of possibilities where everything is included, from mouth-watering cuisines to an array of land and water activities, where they can do as much or as little as they like and discover the Caribbean exactly how they desire.

Use promo code JAN125 and book by 31 January 2024.

TOP TRADING TIPS



Book by 31st January '24 to save more



Last-minute luxury holidays still available



The longer they stay, the more they save*



Flight-inclusive holidays through to 2026 available



Flight upgrades with our trusted airline partners



Book a Butler Elite Suite for ultimate luxury



Our Price Guarantee means the price you book is the price they pay



We offer a low deposit of only £175pp^

BRAND-NEW BOOKING INCENTIVE



SUITE-STAKES

EARN UP TO £800 CASH

When you book selected top-tier luxurious Butler suites before 31 January 2024, you can earn £100 cash prize per booking!



SCAN HERE TO

CALL 0808 164 3459 | VISIT SANDALS.CO.UK/AGENTS

Use promo code JAN125 to apply an additional £125 saving off new bookings made between 09 – 31 January '24. Minimum stay: 7 nights. Please note: Promo code JAN125 cannot be used in conjunction with any other promo code at the time of booking. "With our Booking Bonus promotion, offering up to £900 off per booking." Valid when travelling outside of 71 days, with the exception of select suites at Sandals & Beaches and select dates at Beaches. The Suite-Stakes booking incentive is valid for new trade bookings only, made between 26th Dec – 31 Jan 2024, through Unique Caribbean Holidays Ltd. Further terms and conditions apply.







INDUSTRY INSIGHT



INDUSTRY by...



Andy Harmer, CLIA's managing director for the UK & Ireland, sets course for 2024, spotlighting the destination-intensive nature of cruising as a key selling point.

...agents can feel confident recommending a cruise to their customers no matter where they want to explore."

THE WEALTH of destinations on offer to passengers has always been central to the advantages of taking a cruise.

Travellers only need to unpack once

when taking a holiday at sea, and can then take advantage of landmark locations and hidden gems across the likes of the Mediterranean, northern Europe, the Caribbean and Asia.

As cruise ships are back to sailing on a global basis, we are once again highlighting how the world is within easy reach via our member lines. More specifically, we have over 20 vessels entering the market this year, with four million additional passengers required to meet capacity. As such, the yet-to-cruise market is more important than ever, with the allure of the immersive destinations we serve a critical hook in tempting customers onboard.

With such a wide variety of destinations available, agents can feel confident recommending a cruise to their customers no matter where they want to explore. And when you combine this with the incredible service and offerings onboard, it makes an escape at sea hard to beat.

Destinations will be a key focus for us across 2024, including at our annual conference, which has the theme #DiscoverMore. The conference will take place from May 23-25 in Southampton and is the largest annual travel agent event of its kind in Europe. Among the activities on offer to the 800

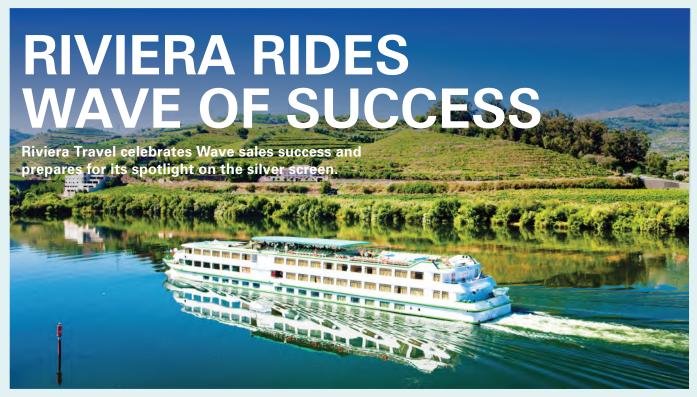
delegates will be the chance to hear from destination experts, who will provide the latest industry updates as well as offer invaluable sales tips and advice.

We've also enhanced our training materials to ensure agents are covered for all the key ports of calls. The CLIA website contains a wide range of tailored materials to suit all agents, regardless of their learning preferences. Simply head online to take advantage of materials including factsheets, training modules, specialist podcasts and videos.

The industry continues to partner with city authorities, ports and other organisations to help safeguard the destinations we visit. We share a common vision to secure the social and economic benefits of tourism for local communities, while preserving the long-term sustainability of all destinations for future generations.

On behalf of everyone at CLIA, we can't wait to work with you again over the next 12 months. It's set to be another record-breaking year, with millions of passengers heading to all four corners of the globe via any number of amazing cruise ships. Thanks as always for your fantastic support.

RIVER CRUISING



RIVIERA TRAVEL is riding the wave of success after it has revealed that Wave trading through its agent partners is up 50% year-on-year. The river cruise specialist has attributed its success to having a great engagement with its dedicated agents and focusing its efforts on strengthening its trade team.

Following this achievement and keeping in line with its team expansion

Aqua Expeditions joins expedition network

AQUA EXPEDITIONS has joined the Expedition Cruise Network alongside Aranui Cruises and Scenic Luxury Cruises & Tours, bringing the total network up to 23 operators.

Francesco Gali Zugaro, CEO and
Founder of Aqua Expeditions, has said
that she has always believed in the
power of collaboration and believes that
joining the Expedition Cruise Network will
"demonstrate our commitment,
experiences and allow us to be a part of a
well-established community dedicated to
preserving the world's most biodiverse
destinations through responsible
exploration." www.aquaexpeditions.com

targets, two new members will join the operator's trade team by the end of January in the roles of key account managers for Scotland and Ireland, and for the UK and Ireland.

Stuart Milan, trading director, commented that it is "fantastic to see such a positive performance from our agent partners" and he notes the success river cruising is having within the market, with "'The Blue Danube', 'The Douro, Porto and Salamanca' and 'Rhine Cruises to Switzerland' itineraries making up the majority of sales."

Vicky Billing, head of Trade
Partnerships, said that the "results are a
testament to the hard work we have put
in to build out trade partnerships and

demonstrate what a brilliant job travel agents do."

In other good news, Riviera Travel is set to appear on the silver screen on January 26th and February 2nd during two episodes of 'Cruising with Susan Calman' on Channel 5. The comedian and presenter will travel along the Douro river as part of a seven-night itinerary and enjoy excursions in Porto, Mateus Palace, Salamanca and Almeida.

Phil Hullah, chief executive of Riviera, highlights the popularity of the Douro itineraries with UK travellers, and is "confident that having Susan travel with [Riviera] will further highlight the relaxing and immersive appeal" of river cruises. www.rivieratravel.co.uk

A-ROSA makes a splash

GRAB THE armbands and goggles, A-ROSA River Cruises is once again offering swim lessons for children on board the family vessel *A-ROSA SENA*, following its inaugural programme last year. Lessons will now be offered on three summer departures: July 27th, August 3rd and 10th, 2024, with both beginner, intermediate and advanced options available. Prices for the courses begin at €149 per child.

www.arosa-cruises.co.uk





16

Travel back to the 17th century with Le Boat

FORGET THE cold nights of January and dream of spending the summer basking in the sun on the entrancing waters of the Canal du Midi with Le Boat.

Weaving its way through the rolling hills of Southern France, the aquatic marvel stretches over 150 miles, connecting the Atlantic to the Mediterranean and takes voyagers back in time to the 17th century.

Voyagers can indulge in masterful wine-tasting experiences in the region's many vineyards, as well as try authentic delicacies in one of the world's most renowned gastronomic locations. History buffs can take in the ethereal cathedrals and medieval cities dotted along the river banks, and families have the opportunity to visit the Luna Park in Le Cap d'Adge, offering endless entertainment for all.

Le Boat is offering a sevennight self-catered stay on the Canal du Midi in July 2024, priced at £1,599 per boat. Transport to and from the boat's base location in Castelnaudary is not included.

www.leboat.co.uk

Sit back and relax on Europe's iconic waterways

FIND THE offer that is right for your client as European Waterways is offering up to 20% off a range of charters and cabins throughout its 2024 programme.

With a large roster of departures and itineraries to choose from, there is something for all types of cruisers to enjoy, whether they prefer stepping back in time and sailing along the Canal de Braire – France's oldest canal – on board the *Renaissance*, or sampling the finest wines in all of the France in Champagne on board the *Panache*.

When booked before February 19th, 2024, the offers are available across multiple voyages through the summer season in a number of destinations, including Burgundy, Loire Valley, Champagne, Italy and Scotland.

Solo cruisers can also look forward to a summer under the European sun as the



cruise line is offering no single supplements for a selection of 2024 cruises, including the *Panache* departing on March 31st, the *Spirit* of *Scotland* on April 7th and May 5th, *La Belle Epoque* in Burgundy on April 7th and August 11th, and *La Belle Vita* in Italy on May 12th and 19th, June 2nd and September 15th. *www.europeanwaterways.com*

Embark in bankside luxury this summer

TREAT YOUR clients to a taste of luxury for less this summer as AMADEUS' Spring and Summer Sale allows travellers to enjoy complimentary flights, transfers and excursions.

Available on a selection of five-star voyages on the Tulip, Rhine, Danube and Rhône rivers, travellers can pick the itinerary that is right for them to sit back and relax as they cruise through some of Europe's most serene landscapes.



Some of the itineraries included in the sale are the seven-night 'Provence & Burgundy' sailing on board the AMADEUS Provence through Lyon, Arles and Avignon priced from £1,699 per guest; the 'Classical Rhine Cruise' that takes guests on an adventurous journey into the culture of the Rhine from £2,199 per person; the 'Tulip Serenade' itinerary where cruisers can discover quaint fishing villages and colourful floral displays in Brussels, Antwerp and Rotterdam for £1,999 per person; and the 'Blue Danube' cruise where monasteries and castles rise from the banks of the river, priced at £2,199 per person.

All cruises available in the luxury Spring and Summer offer must be booked by February 29th, 2024, and include complimentary flights and off-board excursions.

www.amadeus-rivercruises.co.uk



BONJOUR FRANCE!

We are turning 40!

To celebrate we are giving away £40,000 worth of prizes to agents in weekly a weekly draw**

RIVER CRUISE

UNBEATABLE VALUE which always includes



Direct flights & transfers



Five-star ships



Spacious cabins with windows



Daily excursions & visits



Full board dining



Superior drinks package[†]

Cruise Director and Concierge



Evening entertainment



Free Wi-Fi



20kg+ luggage allowance

PLUS...

A guaranteed gift to your customers with every booking as part of our £1 million giveaway*

OUR FRENCH RIVER CRUISES

The Seine, Paris
& Normandy

8 days from only £1,614PP

Burgundy, the River Rhône & Provence

8 days from only £1,599pp

Lyon, Provençal Rhône & the Camargue

11 days from only £2,699pp

Paris, Normandy & Historic Treasures of the Seine 11 days from only £2,414PP

For more information and to book:

01283 901 098 | rivieratravel.co.uk/agents









Award-winning cruises re-imagined by Virgin.

As winter weather sets in, it's the perfect time to plan your Sailors' new sundrenched summer holiday. From Travel & Leisure to Cruise Critic to Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards — award-winning dining, cabins, nightlife, and brilliant service are just the beginning of their next kid-free getaway, should it be a gorgeous weeklong Mediterranean sailing, or a dreamy escape from the UK.

Plus, we're Brilliant for You as well. Get 70% off second Sailor plus up to \$600 in free drinks.



OUR MOST INCLUSIVE OFFER OF THE YEAR

70%

+

FREE DRINKS
UP TO USD \$600

2ND SAILOR ON SELECT VOYAGES

ENDS 31 JANUARY

LEARN MORE ON FIRSTMATES.COM

OCEAN CRUISING

THE BEAUTY OF CRUISING

MSC Cruises' 'For a greater beauty' campaign encourages travellers to view beauty through a more conscious lense.



WHILE BEAUTY is in the eye of the beholder, MSC Cruises' latest global campaign encourages travellers to look deeper into the authentic beauty of the oceans, wanting to create a more profound respect for the seas.

The campaign invites travellers to immerse into nature and into experiences both on and off board that they can have in destinations across the

Windstar's winter is here to stay

THE STAR Legend will continue to sail the Med for another winter period as Windstar Cruises has rejoiced in the success of her inaugural season this year.

After an influx of bookings and positive feedback for the seasonal sailing, the cruise line has enhanced its winter offering within the Mediterranean with new itineraries and opportunities to book for longer voyages in 2024/2025.

Windstar will now offer five itineraries in the Mediterranean for the 2025 season, with visits to Italy, Nice, Corfu, Barcelona, Rome, Venice, among others.

www.windstarcruises.com

globe. The campaign will be active in more than 30 countries worldwide and will be broadcast across a range of avenues, including TV, print media and digital platforms.

MSC Cruises' managing director,
Antonio Paradiso, has said that the aim
of the campaign was to "create a new
visual experience that incorporates our
brand values and respect for the ocean
and planet", encouraging MSC
customers to "discover the beauty of
cruising in a more conscious way."

Filmed on board the cruise line's first LNG-powered vessel, *MSC World Europa*, the campaign highlights the outward beauty of the vessels themselves, but more importantly it

emphasises the beauty that can be had through experiences and spending quality times with loved ones to treasure those memories forever.

In other news for MSC, the cruise line has announced another milestone in its US expansion by opening a new home port in Galveston, Texas. The port will become home to MSC Seascape from November 2025, becoming the cruise line's fourth home port within the US.

Sales are now open for year-round sailings from the new port, offering unique seven-night itineraries to destinations in the Caribbean, Mexico and Honduras.

www.msccruise.co.uk

Holland America sets sail for the Orient

HOLLAND AMERICA Line's freshly-launched 2025-2026 Asia programme is now on sale and features visits to more than 50 ports across 11 countries. Departing from Hong Kong, Japan and Singapore between September 2025 and April 2026, the new itineraries will range from 13 to 15 days and will call into Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam.

www.hollandamerica.com





Cruise Croatia offers solitude at sea

GOOD NEWS for those who wish to sail the seas solo style as Cruise Croatia has boosted its solo traveller offering with dedicated single occupancy cabins on every departure throughout 2024.

Alongside the cabins which will be available for no extra charge, Cruise Croatia will also provide exclusive experiences tailored for the people going it alone both on board and ashore.

The cruise line is offering 144 departures across 10 itineraries in 2024.

www.cruisecroatia.com



Cunard takes speakers to the sea

ENLIGHTEN AND entertain is
Cunard's mantra for the new year
as the cruise line has announced
its most extensive Insight
Speaker programme to date,
welcoming 430 notable experts
to take to the stage across the
entire Cunard fleet.

Some of the guest speakers include journalist and TV icon Ross Kemp, MasterChef judge Greg Wallace, and sports presenter Clare Balding. www.cunard.com

Celestyal cruises into the winter season

FOR THE first time ever, Celestyal Cruises will be sailing off into the winter sunset as the cruise line has announced its inaugural winter season will commence from November 2024.

The season will kick off aboard the *Celestyal Journey* where she will set sail on a seven-night 'Desert Days' tour, visiting four new countries and six new ports within the Persian Gulf. The winter voyage will commence until January 18th, 2025, before the vessel will return to her core programme in April.

Lee Haslett, chief commercial officer, has said the feedback on the port-intensive nature of the existing Celestyal itineraries meant that the Persian Gulf is perfectly primed to deliver "those unmissable moments our clients and trade partners love, blending smaller shore-side experiences with the bigger bucket-list ones."

Alongside the season expansion,



Celestyal has also confirmed plans to double its brand and communications team with six further appointments, in line with its 2023 announcement that the UK trade team will be doubled by 2024. www.celestyal.com

Experience China: the Viking way

VIKING CRUISES is offering guests exclusive access to China this year as three new voyages have been put on the roster. Ranging from 10 to 20 days, the three itineraries will allow guests to explore some of the region's most iconic cities, including Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong, but will also set sail to the underbelly of the region, allowing guests to access remote ports along the coastline that are only accessible to Viking.

The new voyages will operate from



September to November 2024 on board the *Viking Yi Dun* – formerly the *Viking Sun* – offering immersive experiences, lectures about the history of the region, and a mouthwatering service of Chinese-inspired cuisine.

The three voyages include the 20-day 'Wonders of China' itinerary which combines China's historic landmarks with the exploration of UNESCO World Heritage site Gulangyu Island in Xiamen. Prices lead in from £9,790 per person.

The 10-day 'China Discovery' tour allows guests to experience Buddhist shrines in Zhoushan and Cantonese dim sum in Shenzhen with prices starting from £4,590 per person, and the 15-day 'Classic China & the Coast' combines the above with the opportunity to see the Great Wall, the Forbidden City and the Terra Cotta Warriors. Prices lead in from £6,990 per person. www.vikingcruises.co.uk

SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL



An eco-friendly property portfolio is going Beyond Green, vowing 1% of annual sales from its global resorts and properties to support environmental good causes.

BEYOND GREEN, a portfolio of green accommodation options globally, has vouched to donate 1% of its annual sales to support non-profit organisations through 1% for the Planet.

Lindsey Ueberroth, CEO of the wider Preferred Travel Group which operates the Beyond Green portfolio, said that the organisation is "excited to further

Half of travellers would pay eco premium

RESEARCH FROM InsureandGo might come as a surprise to sustainable travel sceptics. A survey's findings revealed that almost half (47%) of holidaymakers would be willing to pay at least £100 extra per person to choose a green or sustainable accommodation option.

Among those who travel overseas several time a year, the numbers rise to 61%, with the average additional spend regular travellers are willing to spend equating to £200 per person.

A fifth of travellers are willing to consider closer-to-home options to make their trips more sustainable.

fulfil our commitment to supporting environmental causes."

CEO of 1% for the Planet, Kate
Williams, was also unrelenting in her
aspiration that the initiative continues to
contribute to "vital work to increase
giving and support on-the-ground
action."

Beyond Green properties include The Ranch at Laguna Beach, a sustainable pick in the Golden State with rates from £375 per night. The Ranch is a fully-renovated 1950s Californian resort, blending SoCal vibes with sustainability down to the very finest of details, including biodegradable bamboo room keys and on-site glass bottle crusher

converting glass to sand for use in its on-site golf bunkers.

Further afield, and perhaps a pick for the more sustainably-conscious rather than budget-conscious, is The Brando, in French Polynesia, starts from £2,790 per night. Given its name from Marlon Brando, a visionary behind the property, The Brando guarantees the use of local, renewable and recycled building materials, along with an advanced water conservation and waste management system, reassuring the eco-conscious that sustainability is much more than a buzzword for the property.

www.staybeyondgreen.com

Valencia vies for sustainable victory

VALENCIA HAS earned the mantle of the Mediterranean's only European Green Capital, thanks to efforts to measure the carbon and water footprint of tourism organisations.

In celebration of the award, the city is hosting a number of exhibitions and installations spotlight the city's sustainable spirit. www.visitvalencia.com/en





St. Regis' sustainable celebrations

THIS YEAR marks the one year anniversary of the St. Regis Maldives Vommuli Resort's partnership with Reefscapers, the coral propagation programme.

Guests are invited to dive into the celebrations with snorkelling trips into the surrounding waters, take part in marine biology workshops, and sponsor coral frames for reef generation. The resort's in-house marine biologist, Hazel Araujo, and their team support long-term coral health projects.



Intrepid makes £500,000 pledge

SUSTAINABILITY MEANS much more than protecting the environment around us: Intrepid Travel is doubling down on efforts to support social and economic sustainability by matching donations up to £500,000 to The Intrepid Foundation. Last year, the nonprofit arm delivered 108 tonnes of supplies to communities affected by the earthquake in Morocco, among other projects.

Exodus swaps runways for railway tracks

2024 IS off to a sustainable start for Exodus Adventure Travels: along with its 50th anniversary, there was a more environmental cause for celebration in the form of its BCorp certification, recognising its sustainable strides. Were that enough to reflect Exodus' eco-approach, the certification followed four new flight-free trips, stemming from its partnership with rail travel expert Byway.

Beyond several continental rail breaks in Italy and Portuguese Camino, guests can go cross-continent on 'Treasures of Morocco', a Premium Adventure-category itinerary that blends the best of Morocco. En route, between stays in traditional riads and a luxury desert camp, visits to Casablanca, Fez and Marrakech showcase all the nation is known and celebrated for and much more.

The 11-night 'Treasures of Morocco' option starts from £2,699 per person with



bed-and-breakfast accommodation with select meals, and can be combined with the flight-free return rain travel and six nights' accommodation from Byway, starting at £1,253 per person.

www.exodus.co.uk / www.byway.travel/exodus

Environmentally-friendly families or eco conscious couples: the Maldives calls

PULSE HOTELS & Resorts has a wellestablished envelope-pushing approach, cemented further by its sustainable approach across the Nova and Kandima properties in the Maldives.

Nova Maldives, on the South Ari Atoll, makes the most of the plentiful marine life in the surrounding waters with bucket-list swimming excursions to explore the whale shark, manta ray and other marine species circling the resort.



Curated spa treatments use locally-sourced ingredients for sustainable serenity, guaranteeing the natural vibe is carried on beyond the surroundings of its 76 overwater villas. Seven-night stays for two, with flights from London Heathrow, are bookable through Destination2 from £3,129 per person.

For eco-friendly families, Kandima Maldives is equally blessed with rich biodiversity and surroundings and more multi-generational facilities and activities. Fresh-catch, locally-sourced meals give a taste of the natural environment with the EsKape Spa offering equally natural treatments that spotlight the power of nature's ingredients. Seven-night options for families of four start from £1,582 per person through Destination2. www.pulseresorts.com /

www.puiseresoris.com/ www.destination2.co.uk

mage Credits: Top and Bottom: Adobe Stock

AUSTRALIA & PACFIC

INTO THE WILDERNESS

From wilderness escapes to gazing upon the stars, Tasmania is a nature-lovers dream.



FROM IDYLLIC beaches and enchanting nature trails to an abundance of wildlife at your doorstep (quite literally in the case of viral sensation Neil the Seal), Tasmania has skyrocketed up the ranks and has become an increasingly popular wish-list destination.

It is not just the chance to see the large southern elephant seal causing

Quantas brings the UK to Darwin

AUSTRALIA'S NATIONAL carrier, Qantas, is taking flight on a new international route offering UK travellers more choice to the country's Northern Territory.

From December 9th, 2024, the new service will operate between Singapore and Darwin, offering travellers from London a new one-stop service while also opening up onward connections to the airline's domestic network across Australia.

Flights will initially operate five days per week, and are set to become daily by March 2025. Fares from London to Darwin lead in from £1,536 return.

www.gantas.com

chaos to a small town that is driving people to the island, but the region's globally-renowned wines and whiskies, the ancient landscape that holds echoes of the past, and a wild host of wilderness experiences that await.

Boasting the cleanest air in the world, Tasmania is known for its dark skies with minimal light pollution, making the island a stargazer's paradise. The Astronomical Society of Tasmania hosts the popular Public Night Sky Viewing Evenings at the Mount Pleasant site for everyone to gaze upon the stars and learn about the universe beyond.

Tucked away upon the deepest lake in the southern hemisphere is one of Australia's most iconic wilderness experiences. Pumphouse Point offers visitors a unique adults-only retreat, housing 19 boutique rooms and suites that gaze outwards over the glacial waters of Lake St Clair.

If your clients are avid walkers and explorers, a fifth of Tasmania's landmass is made up of national parks, each offering jaw-dropping sights and a chance to immerse into 'one of the last great wildernesses on Earth'.

www.discovertasmania.com

Tread the unbeaten track of the Torres

THE TORRES Strait Islands, once inaccessible to travellers, are now open for business as Strait Experience has launched a three-day 'A Strait Escape' tour of the archipelago. Visitors can truly step off the beaten track and learn about the traditional practices of the region, including spear-making, cooking in earth ovens and weaving from the residents. Prices for the tour lead in at AUS\$3,464 including domestic flights and accommodation. www.straitexperience.com





Ayers Rock Resort makes eco first

STAYING ON the theme of sustainability as we journey down under is Ayers Rock Resort, Uluru, which has earned both Advance Ecotourism and Respecting Our Culture certifications as it celebrates its 40th anniversary. The property remains a marvel in the region's slate of sustainable spots.

Tahiti welcomes refreshed Westin resort

HOPING TO raise the bar for opulence and indulgence on Bora Bora is the recently-refurbished Westin Bora Bora.

A staple in its former iteration as Le Méridien, the property has heightened its sophisticated and wellness-centric approach, all the while retaining its backdrop of pristine sand and crystal-clear waters.

The property's signature fusion of modern indulgence and Polynesian charm has been retained and elevated.

Accommodation options spanning overwater bungalows and villas, on the doorstep of the resort's expansive lagoon, invite not only indulgence but natural exploration via a range of diving and snorkelling facilities.



Rates are set to be confirmed as the property nears its reopening in May.

www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/bobwi-the-westin-bora-bora-resort-and-spa



Call: 01283 901 098 Visit: rivieratravel.co.uk/agents

Subject to availability and correct at time of print. Additional entrance costs may apply. Ri Travel booking terms and conditions apply. ABTA V4744 ATOL 3430 protected. Images us conjunction with Riviera Travel. *Book by 29 February 2024. See the website for full terms conditions on Riviera's birthday giveaway.

AAT Kings' cut-price peaks

AAT KINGS departures between April 1st and December 31st are eligible for 10% savings during the peaks campaign, which runs until February 29th, 2024.

Guided tour options included in the offer span durations of four to 22 days, across a host of popular spots throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Savings worth nearly £1,000 per person are on offer, with cut-price trips available to secure with a low deposit offer of £100 per person.

The bumper 21-day 'Wonders of the West Coast & Kimberley' itinerary is on sale for £8,919 per person (down from £9,910) in June and July. The comprehensive, 21-day tour includes excursions to two UNESCO World Heritage sites (Ningaloo Coast and

Shark Bay), centrally-located premium hotel accommodation, private airport transfers and admission to Shark Bay, Nambung & Yanchep National Parks and El Questro Wilderness Park. Select meals are included.

Cut-price experiences can be secured with deposits of £100 per person.

www.aatkings.com/alisters





Scenic enhances land programme

TWO NEW options have joined Scenic Luxury Cruises and Tours' land programme down under. Alongside the enhanced 23- and 24-day options, shorter 13-day 'Very Best of Australia' (from £5,145) and 'Very Best of New Zealand' from (£4,745) options are on offer. www.scenic.co.uk





APT heads down (under) the rabbit hole

APT & TRAVELMARVEL'S Worldwide Sale offers a host of savings across the globe: the operator's New Zealand range is featured, offering savings up to £400 per person with free flights until February 29th, 2024.

'New Zealand Wonderland' swaps the land of Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum for the land of the long white cloud: on the 17-day land journey, the island nation's most scenic and near-unbelievable sights are on show, blended with locally-inspired dining and must-do sightseeing moments. The 'New Zealand Wonderland' itinerary features £400 per person savings, meaning the 17-day tour starts from £5.795 per person during the sale period.

The shorter 'New Zealand Getaway' option, following a similar route from Auckland to Christchurch, is also included for those looking for a less-comprehensive (and costintensive) option. With savings worth £200 per person, the 15-day escorted tour starts from £3,995 per person.

www.aptouring.co.uk





Fiji connection fever takes flight

DECEMBER SAW the launch of two new routes, connecting the island of Fiji better than ever before, enabling a host of twin-centre holiday options for guests.

Air Calin's weekly flight from Nadi to Papeete (Tahiti) took flight on December 6th, 2023, joined just the day after by Fiji Airways' twice-weekly direct service from Nadi to the New Caledonain capital, Numea. www.fiji.travel

What is your go-to method for de-stressing?

Jeanette Ratcliffe Publisher

jeanette.ratcliffe@travelbulletin.co.uk Painting.



Simon Eddolls Sales Director

simon.eddolls@travelbulletin.co.uk Cricket.



Sarah Terry
Senior Account Manager
sarah.terry@travelbulletin.co.uk
Swimming.



Tim Podger Account Manager - Far EastGolf.



Matthew Hayhoe
Acting Editor

matthew.hayhoe@travelbulletin.co.uk Incense and instrumentals!



Melissa Paddock

Events Coordinator

melissa paddock@travelbulletin.co.ul

melissa.paddock@travelbulletin.co.uk Walk and music.



Holly Brown
Events Coordinator
holly brown@travelbulletin.co.uk

holly.brown@travelbulletin.co.uk Reading.



Leah Kelly Acting Deputy Editor leah.kelly@travelbulletin.co.uk Long walk with music!



EVENTS

events@travelbulletin.co.uk

PRODUCTION

production@travelbulletin.co.uk

CIRCULATION

circulation@travelbulletin.co.uk



We are delighted to be reintroducing our highly popular Train & Gain events programme on

Thursday 29th February

The Hampshire Court Hotel, Centre Drive, Chineham, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG24 8FY



Inspired with the needs of the busy home based and independent agents in mind, this event will run between 10am and 3pm.

Involving in-depth presentations from 6 leading industry suppliers, this day-time training opportunity will offer additional time for agent questions, informal networking and prizes!

SUPPLIER PARTNERS













TIMINGS

10.00amRegistration, coffee & biscuits

10.30am - 12.45pm Presentations from 4 leading suppliers

12.45pm Lunch **1.30pm - 2.30pm**Presentations from 2 leading suppliers

2.30pm - 3pm Free prize draw.

#TBSHOWCASES

To confirm your place at this amazing event, email your name, company, and contact details by **Monday 19th February** to **events@travelbulletin.co.uk** or telephone:

0207 973 0136

This event is by invitation only and will be booked on a first come first served basis.



Ajman is the hidden gem of the UAE, offering a sense of authentic Emirati history, steeped in culture, with its own, distinct charm. Whilst the smallest emirate, Ajman has a real diversity of experience from beautiful natural white sandy beaches, sprawling mangroves with a rich diversity of marine and bird life. Ajman local city life with a backdrop of the majestic Hajar mountains.



Glasgow - February 12th 2024 - Hilton (Riverside Suite) - Glasgow G3 8HT

Birmingham - February 14th 2024 - Park Regis (Garrard Suite) - Birmingham B15 1DT

Guildford - February 15th 2024 - Harbour Hotel & Spa (Prelude Suite) - Guildford GU1 3DA

Join Ajman Tourism, their hotel and airline partners, at this fun and informative evening where you can improve your product knowledge of the destination. The evening will involve lively presentations, as well as amazing hot food, drinks, action packed entertainment and a free prize draw for many lucky winners!

Join us for your chance to win:

AN AMAZING FAM-TRIP PLACE!

Plus

A 5-night Ajman holiday for 2 including flights on Emirates and Five Star Accommodation!

Plus

5-night, Five Star Accommodation prizes!

Plus

AMAZING SPOT PRIZES!

Timings: 6:00pm to 9:15pm

Please register here travelbulletin.co.uk/events/agents

Email: events@travelbulletin.co.uk

Telephone: 020 7973 0136

SAIL FROM THE UK

HOLIDAYS IN 2024-2025

3 to 14-night voyages out of Portsmouth

From our exciting return to Bruges and Amsterdam to our first sailings to Bilbao and Bordeaux in 2024, plus brand new voyages to Norway, Iceland, and Scotland in 2025 — your Sailors can experience more of Europe than ever before. The best part? Besides being kid-free, they all sail from Portsmouth.

ENGLISH SIGHTS & EUROPEAN DELIGHTS

Day 1 Portsmouth, United Kingdom Day 2 Sailing Day Day 3 La Coruña, Spain Day 4 Bilbao, Spain Day 5 Le Verdon (Bordeaux), France Day 6 Sailing Day Day 7 Portsmouth, United Kingdom

IRRESISTIBLE MED & ROME

Day 1	Barcelona, Spain
Day 2	Toulon, France
Day 3	Marina di Carrara, Italy
Day 4	Civitaveschia (Rome), Italy
Day 5	Sailing Day
Day 6-7	Ibiza, Spain
Day 8	Barcelona, Spain

ENGLAND TO ICELAND & NORWAY

Day 1	Portsmouth, United Kingdom
Day 2-3	Amsterdam, Netherlands
Day 4	Sailing Day
Day 5	Bergen, Norway
Day 6	Lerwick, Scotland
Day 7	Sailing Day
Day 8	Akureyri, Iceland
Day 9	Isafjordur, Iceland
Day 10-11	Reykjavik, Iceland





Tell your Sailors to set their sights on a horizon of incredible savings. Book them on a new Mediterranean or Northern European voyage in summer 2024, or select sailings until October 2025, and they'll secure 70% off their 2nd Sailor and up to US\$600 in free drinks with over US\$1,000 of Always Included Luxuries. The kid-free getaway of their dreams is waiting, but this offer sails away soon — book by 31 January 2024.

